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RAVE MASTER

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THE STORY SO FAR...

YO, PLUS. LET'S RAGE IT!
RAVE RAVE MASTER, RAVE RAVE MASTER.

ALL RIGHT, STOP! I'LL RELAX, SO LISTEN.
HARU'S BACK WITH A BRAND NEW MISSION.
HE USED TO RELAX BOTH DAILY AND NIGHTLY,
BUT NOW HE'S ON A QUEST TO SET THE WORLD RIGHTLY
WILL HE FIND THE WAY? YO -- I HOPE SO
HE'S JUST A KID -- BUT HE'LL GROW
HIS HOME, GARAGE ISLAND, WAS ROCKED BY SOME VANDALS--
THOSE OBNOXIOUS CARO PIRATES BURNED IT DOWN LIKE A CANDLE.

CHANGE BEDDOIR, PLUS TO THAT LAND-
A CONK-NOSED DOG THAT LENDS A HELPING HAND!
HARU FISHED HIM OUT OF THE SEA LIKE A FLOUNDER
HE USED TO FOLLOW SHIBA, A CRAZY OLD SOUNDER
SHIBA USED TO BE THE RAVE MASTER
BUT NOW HE CAN'T USE RAVE TO STOP THE DISASTER
THERE'S A NEW HEIR TO RAVE WHO WILL SOLVE IT
BREAK DOWN, HARU GLORY, WHILE THIS DJ REVOLVES IT

RAVE RAVE MASTER, RAVE RAVE MASTER
RAVE RAVE MASTER, RAVE RAVE MASTER

BUT JUST WHEN HIS QUEST GETS JUMPIN'
THIS BADDIE NAMED SHUDA COMES THUMPIN'!
ARMED WITH DARK DRINK THIS MAGICAL STONE,
HE COOKS OUR BOY HARU DOWN TO THE BONE
BUT HARU HAS SKILL THAT START A COMMOTION
HIS TEN POWERS SHOOT FURTHER INTO EXPLOSION.
WITH HIS NEW POWERS HE STOPPED THE DOPE FIENDS
BUT NOW HE SINGED A JAGGED (UP YOU KNOW WHAT I MEAN)
TO GET THE THING PAPER HARU LEAVES FOR HIP HOP TOWN
SO READ WHAT HE FINDS AS THIS RECORD GOES ROUND

RAVE RAVE MASTER, RAVE RAVE MASTER
RAVE RAVE MASTER, RAVE RAVE MASTER

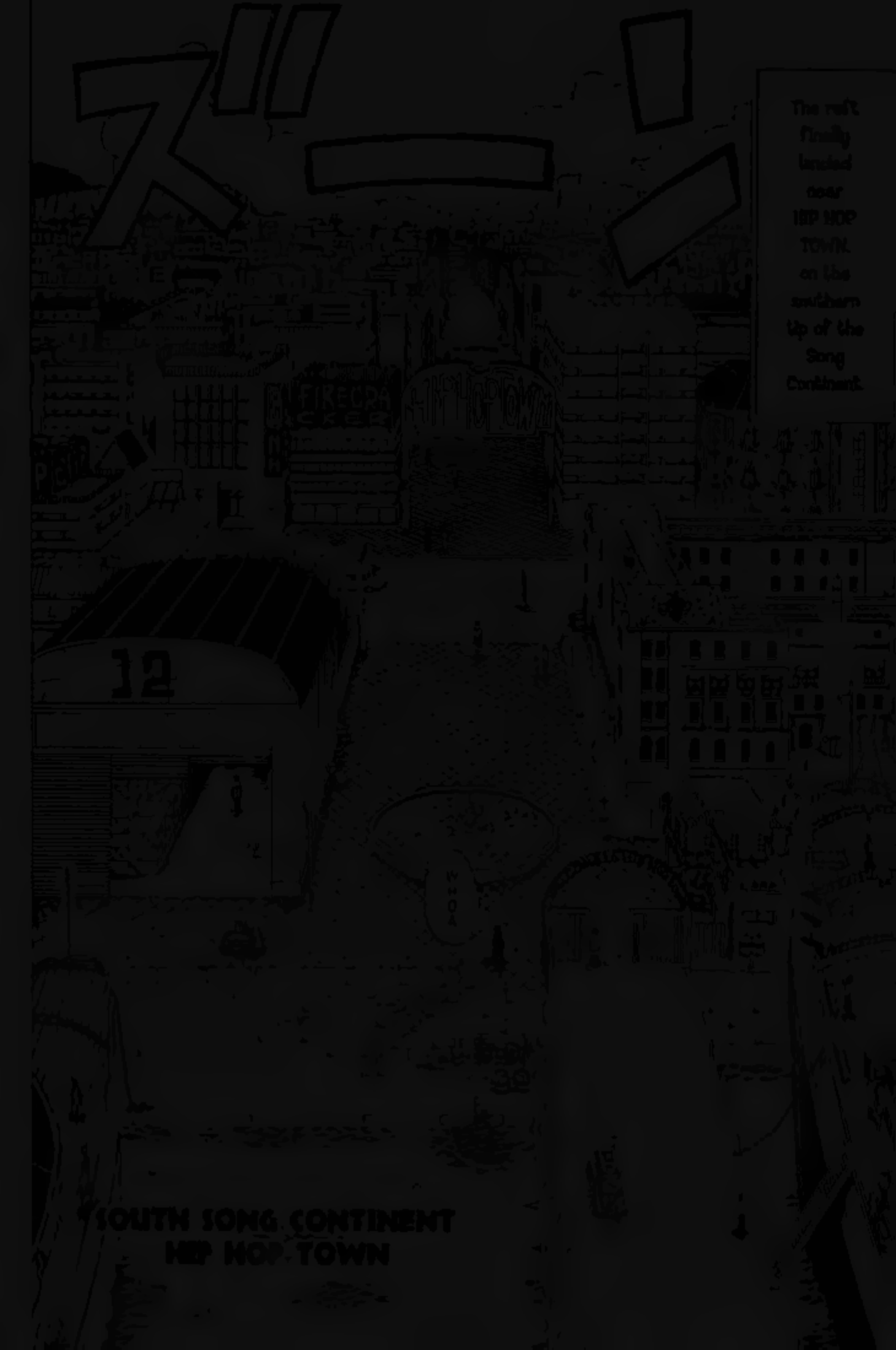
YO MAN, LET'S GET OUT OF HERE.

RAVE MASTER

WE SHIT.. I'VE REACHED THE MAINLAND BY NOW
WEIRD
RIGHT PLUIE-
WE HAVE TO FIND NUSICA IF I'M GOING TO GET THIS SWORD FIXED
ヒュー
AZE WE IN THE WRONG FUTURE?

PUUU-N
GRUMBLE...

PLUE!!
YOUR NOSE HORN THING
IT'S.. IT'S KINDA DROOPING
IT'S BEEN SEVEN DAYS
AND WE'RE OUT OF FOOD
PUUUL!
GRRUMBLE..
GRRUMBLE...
OH, GET IT
YOU ARE THE STRANGE DOG
WELL WHEN WE REACH THE COAST THE FIRST THING WE'LL DO IS SET SOME GRUB
PUUU
SO IT GETS ALL FLOPPY WHEN YOU GET HUNGRY HUH?


The raft finally landed near HIP HOP TOWN, on the southern tip of the Song Continent.
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SOUTH SONG CONTINENT
HIP HOP TOWN

SO THIS IS A BIG CITY

HIP HOP TUNE STREET
BAK

WAAH IT'S BLSY
WAAH

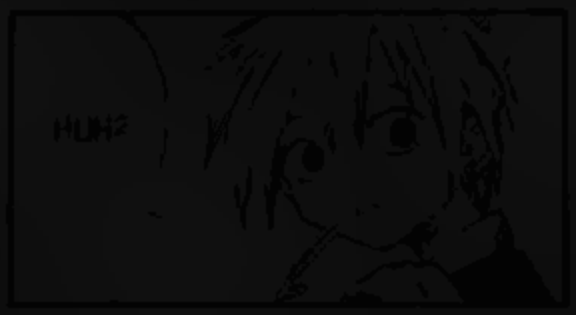
A "HOT DOG CENTER
PLUE LET'S LOOK FOR SOME FOOD HERE

ANYONE THERE?

HEY PLUE? WHERE'D YOU GO
PLUE!!

?
AW SNAP- TOO MANY FREAKIN' PEOPLE
WHAT ARE YOU UP TO?
PUUF
PUUN
WANT MORE? GO ON EAT UP THERE'S PLENTY!
IT'S CUTE!
YEAH.
OH IS THIS YOUR DOG?

I JUST DON'T KNOW WHAT GETS INTO HIM
WE'LL SORRY WE BOTHERED YOU, MAN
HA HA HA!
CUTE, HUH?
HA HA
CHAPA, LET'S GO PLEE.
H-HI! LONG ARE YOU GONNA STAY OFF YOUR FAILS?
THANKS, MAN!!



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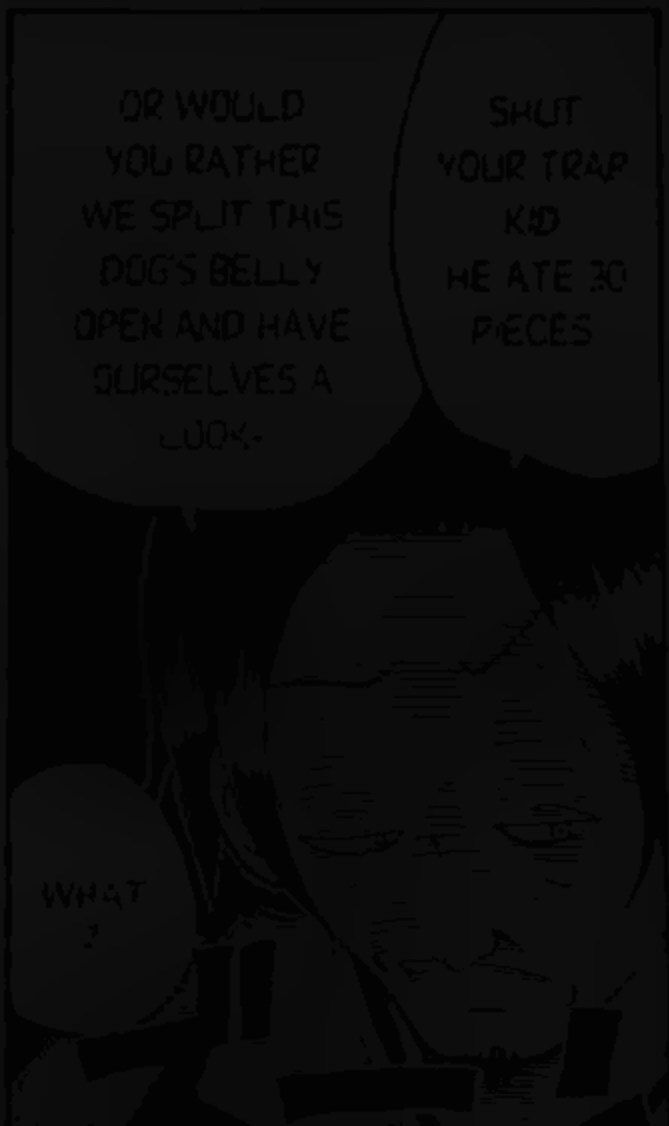
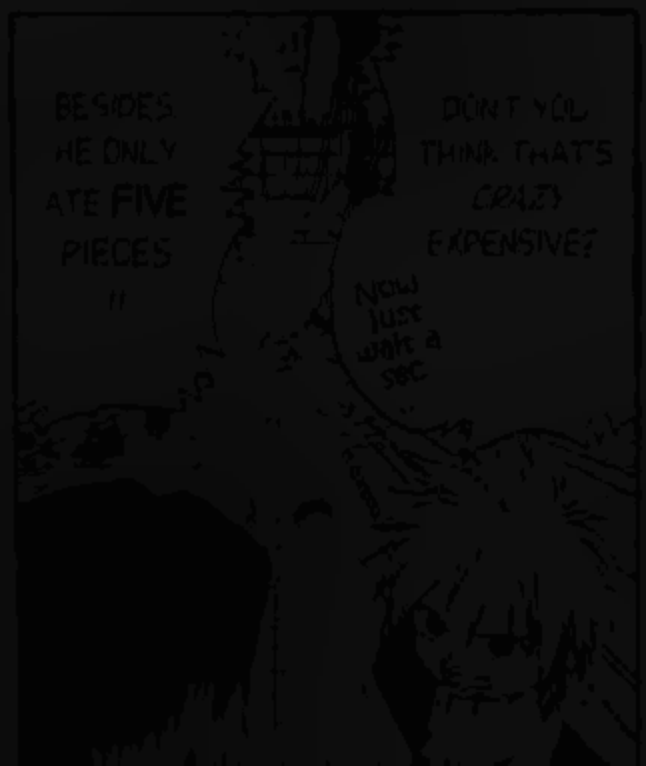




WELL IF YOU DON'T HAVE ANY MONEY
YOU'RE INSANE IN THE MEMBRANE MISTER
WHOA, STOP! WHAT'RE YOU GONNA DO WITH P'LUE!
I'LL TAKE HIM AS PAYMENT
WHAT THE DEUCE IS GOING ON HERE?
GIVE HIM BACK!
WAIT!!
SO THAT'S HIS NAME, EH?

GUESS I'LL JUST HAVE TO START LOOKING AGAIN TOMORROW
IF THIS WERE GARAGE ISLAND TOTALLY WOULD'VE FOUND THEM BY NOW
THIS ISLAND IS HUGE!
RUFF
RUFF
RUFF

HRA
!
!!
?!
AN
?
DOGS?
3

IT'S A *DOG RACE...*

OH...!!

NUMBER FIVE PRETTY HOR-MONES!

IT'S NUMBER TWO YAMATO YASUSHI OUT IN FRONT FOLLOWED CLOSELY BY...

AHE ONE DOG IS OFF TO A SLOW START!

THE SLOW STARTER IS DOG NUMBER SIX.

I'VE GOT A FUNNY FEELING ABOUT THIS...

AND THEY'RE OUT OF THE GATE!!

MOTOR

HRA

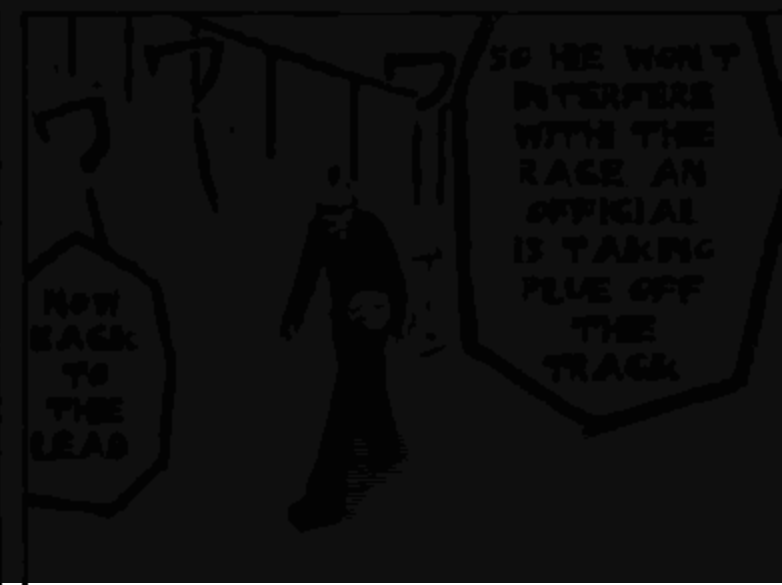
DIGITAL 3D MONITOR

プーン
PLUE!
PLUE

AHEM
AHE HEE SAT DOWN!!

HE'S ACTU-ALLY COMIC BACK TO THE GATE!
WAIT! HE HE'S NOT RUNNING AT ALL!

NOW M REALLY CON FUSED
AW. JEEZ


NOW BACK TO THE LEAD
SO HE WON'T INTERFERE WITH THE RACE AN OFFICIAL IS TAKING PLUE OFF THE TRACK

PUUN
YOU DOPE WHAT DID YOU THINK YOU WERE DOING OUT THERE?
HUH?
I BOUGHT YOU AS A RACING DOG
I GUESS I'LL HAVE TO TEACH YOU A LESSON BEFORE THE NEXT RACE
PUUN
PLUE!!

AW SNAP
STOP IT !!

OOF!
P...UE! GET JUTTA HERE
AAH!!
IT'S NOT NAP T ME" GO!!
PUPIL...
PUPIL...
PUPIL
PUPIL
!?
WHAT RE YA DOIN'?
YOU'VE GOT TO MOVE!!

BETTER YET KILL HIM!!
GET THAT KID!!
WELL, UNTIL PLUE WAKES UP_
I'M VERY SORRY MASTER GEORGE
WHAT'S THE HAPS?
I GUESS IT'S TIME TO RUMBLE!

I'LL TAKE CARE OF IT SIR
WHY DO I EVEN WASTE MY EOFL'S ON JU-
YOU CAN'T EVEN SMACK DOWN SOME PUNK AND HIS PUPPY
YOU DAWGS ARE WORTH LESS
CHECK THOSE MOVES! THAT'S NO PUNK, DAWG!
HOLD ON. I THINK I'VE PEEPED THIS CAT BEFORE
WHO- WHAT'S HE HIS STRENGTH- INHUMAN
THAT'S IT DADDY-O

OR SHOULD I SAY- RAVE MASTER?
DEMON CARD
GEORCO
HE'S FROM DEMON CARD!
THAT'S SYMBOL...

RAVE MASTER

ORIGINAL SIN
KNOW
Shavedice
goofing off
manager
his second day of work
assistant
what ARE these things anyway?

SURPRISED TO SEE DEMON CARD LARGE AND IN CHARGE OF THIS BUDG

...MR. MASTER?

I JUST CAME TO GET PUJE BACK!
I DONT CARE ABOUT DEMON CARD. GANGS OR YOUR DOG RACE!

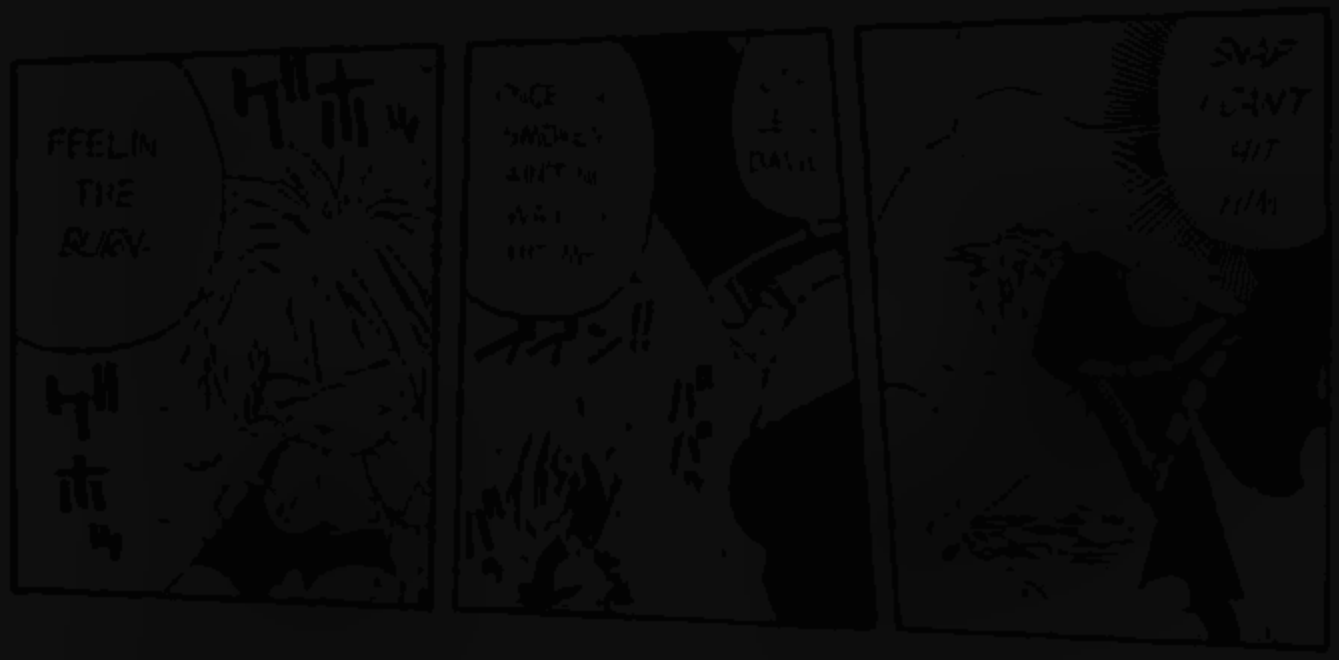
OOH SO THAT WAS YOUR DOG!
THE DOG THAT WE HAD TO DRAG OFF THE TRACK
PLUTO
AND I'M NOT ABOUT TO PLUNK MY INVESTMENT OVER TO SOME KID
I FORKED OVER TOO DOLLAR FOR THAT THING WHATEVER IT IS
THAT DON'T ACT TOO
LET'S SEE HOW YOU LIKE MY SPECIAL ATTACK!
WAIT NO! I HAVE MY SWORD BUT STILL HAVE RAGE!
NOW I'M REALLY MAD!!
THAT FOOL...
SOLO PLUTO TO THESE GUYS...

!!

HA
HA!
AW,
SNAP
!!
HMPF!
HUH

LET'S ME TURN INTO SMOKE NOT TO MENTION THIS
I CAN FEEL THAT POWER
A DARK BRAND
UMFH
TOXI- GAS BLAST !!
I MAY HAVE FORGOTTEN TO PONTIFICATE ON THE POISONOUS NATURE OF MY GASEOUS STATE PURE CARBON MONOXIDE
IN MY PREVIOUS PONTIF- ICATIONS
POOR BABY
CAN'T BREATHE

HEH


FEELIN THE RUSH
I CAN'T HIT HIM!!!

I GOT IT!! HIS FACE!!
IF I CAN JUST NAIL HIS FACE
BUT HOW

FOOL! HA HA HA!
HAAAH!!
NO DAWG OR DOG COULD SURVIVE THAT!
YOU'VE TOAST TOO MUCH OF MY GAS
THAT HIT HIS FACE EITHER!
PLUE...
I'M SORRY
HA! DON'T PUSH YOUR SELF!
TOO BAD MR WASTED

...BUT I WON'T GO DOWN THAT EASILY!!
WHAT WAS THAT EXPLO-SION?
FIRST MY DOG NOW MY STADIUM IS THAT THE PO-WER OF RAVE.

YES SIR
WELL— WHAT ARE YOU STANDING AROUND FOR? GO AFTER HIM
MY PROMOTION IS RIGHT IN THERE
SON OF A MOTHER LESS GOAT! THE G MADE A JET!
WELL WELL— WHAT HAVE WE HERE? GO! LIKE YOU AND MASTER'S GONE AND LEFT YOU BEHIND
!
PUT THAT DAWG— I MEAN, DOG IN THE NEXT RACE.
HOLD UP JUST HAD AN INTERESTING CONCEPTION
BUT SIR ONLY DOGS WITH SPECIAL PEDIGREES ARE ENTERED IN THE RACE
!!!
YES

WE'LL USE THE RACE TO DRAW OUT OUR MISSING MR MASTER
AIN'T NO THANG

COUGH
COUGH

HE MUST TO BE AROUND HERE! LOOK FOR HIM!

SORRY. JUST NEED TO SIT FOR A MINUTE

?

THUMP
DID YOU SEE A BOY COME AROUND HERE?

DON'T PANIC!
WHAT? SO YOU CAN LOOK AT MY PANTIES
WELL IF I TAKE A LOOK UNDER THE DESK?
AW, FUCK! LET'S XIA OVER HERE!
MOVE IT PUNK! LEAVE ELIE ALONE!
ELIE

WELL, ARE YOU GOING TO LIE THERE ALL DAY?
Name
ELIF

THEY'RE SO TASTY! DON'T THEY.
THEY' RE. MEAN DEMON CARD
THAT'S IT

TH
THANKS

MMM~? YOU'RE NOT FROM AROUND HERE, ARE YOU?

YEAH DEMON CARD HAS MORE INFLUENCE HERE THAN IN SOME OTHER CITIES YOU KNOW?
REAL

WHY DID YOU COME ALL THE WAY HERE?
NO I'M FROM GARAGE ISLAND NAME'S HARU NICE TA MEET YA!

It
WHY ?
NO REASON
REALLY
JUST PASSING
THROUGH
LAWS ?
DEMON CARD HAS
THIS CITY IN ITS GRIP
HARU THEYVE SET
UP SOME VERY
STRICT LAWS
THE
SAME
AS ME
THEN
YUP
WHAA--?
ARE YOU
SERIOUS?
EVEN ME
TO
DEMON
CARD
IT'S EASY TO GET
INTO THE CITY BUT
TO GET OUT YOU
HAVE TO PAY
A HUGE FEE
WHY
DOES
ALL
THIS
MONEY
STUFF
KEEP
HAPPEN
AROUND
ME
HERE
WE GO
AGAIN
HOPE
JUE IS
OKAY

AS SOON AS THIS RACE IS OVER
ME, I'M GETTING OUT OF THIS CITY.. TODAY.
I'LL TELL YOU WHEN THE RACE IS OVER
WELL I'D LOVE TO BUT WHERE ARE YOU GONNA GET THAT KINDA MONEY
IF YOU STICK AROUND PRETTY SOON I'LL HAVE ENOUGH MONEY FOR US BOTH TO LEAVE TOWN
I NEED TO GET A LEAD BACK SOME HOW
NNGH NOW'S NOT THE TIME FOR ME TO BE THINKING ABOUT A RACE
AND NOW BEGINS TODAY'S MAIN RACE- BATTLE ROAD!
LET THE BATTLE BEGIN!

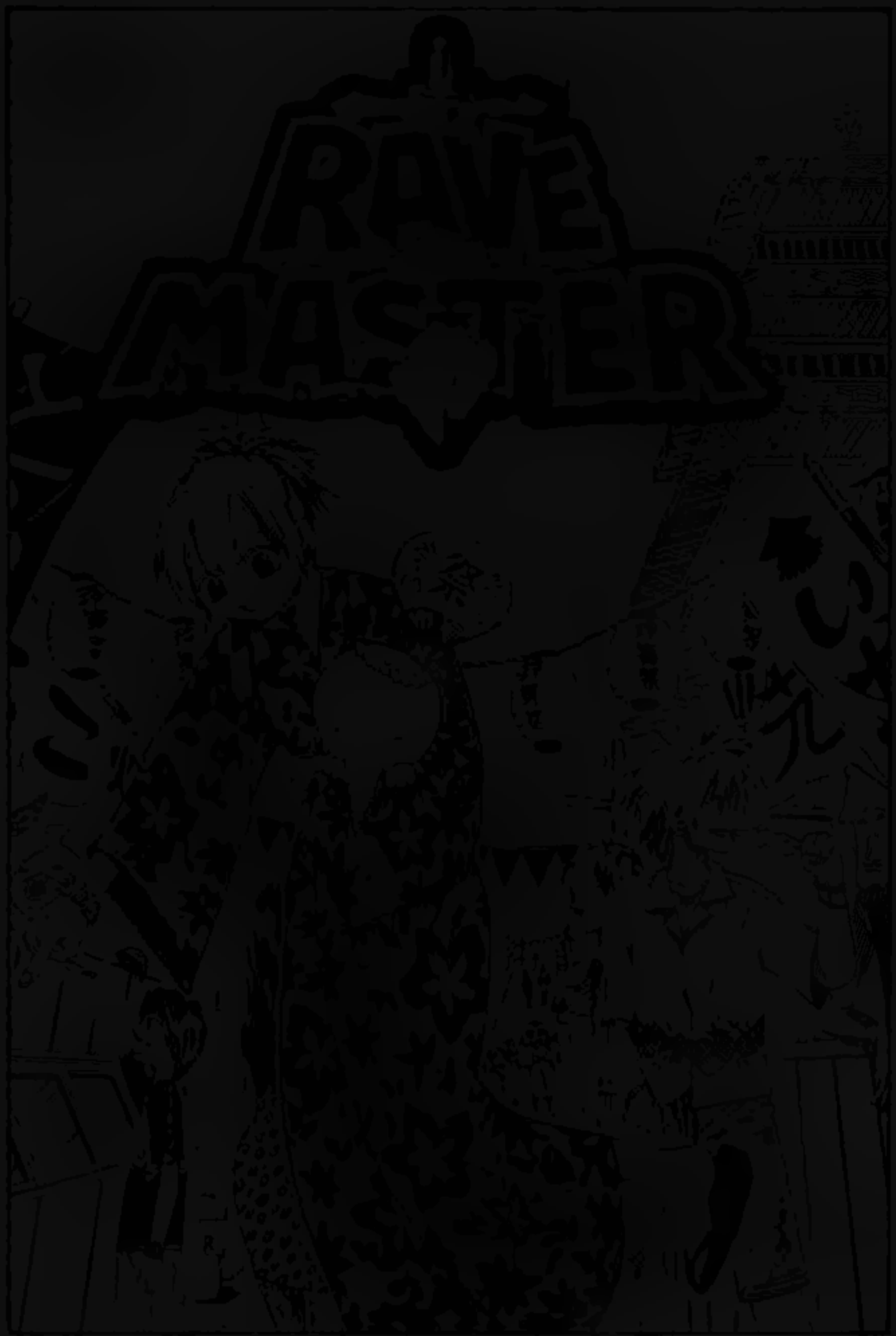
WHAT?!
GO PLUE! I'M COUNTING ON YOU!
WH WHAT'S WITH THIS RACE?
PLUE IS OFF TO A SLOW START YET AGAIN!
NUMBER SIX WITH THE BIG NOSE...ER HORN...ER THING WITH GOGS AT 999 TO 2
AAAHH!!
YEP! ♡ I BET EVERYTHING I HAVE ON PLUE!
OH NO, DON'T TELL ME THE ALWAYS CONFIDENT ONE?

AND HE'S UNDER ATTACK FROM THE DOGS BEHIND HIM!!
BUT HE'S GOING BLOWN TO THE SIDELINES!
WHILE THE OTHER DOGS ARE FIGHTING IT OUT PLUE IS AIMING FOR THE LEAD!
AND SOME OF EM LOOK LIKE ROBOTS
THEY ALL HAVE WEAPONS EXCEPT FOR PLUE!
HOLD IT! YOU CALL THIS A RACE? BE SERIOUS
PLUE'S GONNA DIE FOR SURE!
THIS IS WHAT A "BATTLE ROAD" RACE IS LIKE
HELL TRY AND STOP THE RACE FOR SURE
HEH HEH HEH THAT BRAT WON'T BE ABLE TO STAND WATCH HIS DOG DIE
President's Office

OF MY DARK BRING "SMOKE BAY."
AND WHEN HE DOES, I'LL SHOW HIM THE TRUE TERROR
I'M SORRY BUT THE RACE HAS TO STOP
ELIE
EH ?!
I'M GOING TO SAVE ELIE
ELIE IS YOUR DOG?!

I TOLD YOU I BET ALL OF MY MONEY ON HIM"
NO!! YOU CAN'T!!
YOU'RE HIS OWNER AND YOU DIDN'T EVEN
WHAT
AND BESIDES I KNOW PLUE IS A SURE THING
THIS GIRL IS CRAZY!
I THINK PLUE IS REALLY A BUG!

YEAH HE FLIES WHEN HE'S BEEN LAUNCH ED!
I'M SURE HE'LL FLY AT THE END
YOU THINK HE CAN WIN A DOG RACE BECAUSE HE'S A— A BUG?!
SEE THAT GIRL
YOU'D RAT ON ME, HUH?
NO DOG HAS EVER DIED IN RATTLE ROAD"
IF YOU INTERFERE WITH THE RACE, I— PRESS THIS BUTTON!
MAN BLUE IS A BIG TRUE BLUE
BLUE!!



RAVE 7 ✚ REVENGE AS A TRIO!

PLUE!!
THEY'RE PASSING THE 500 METER MARK.
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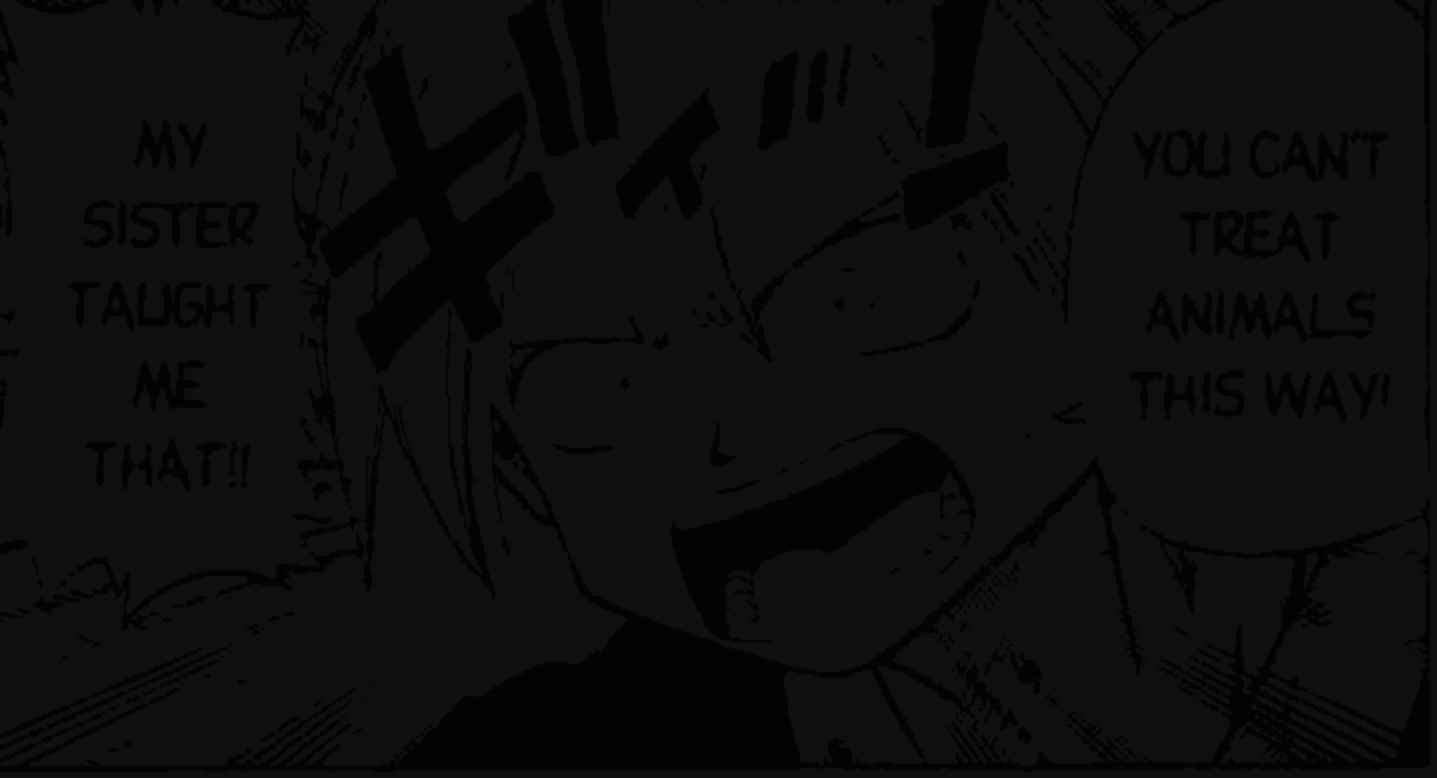
THE EXPLOSION ZONE !!
DROPPED OUT. BLOWN UP IS MORE LIKE IT

LOOK!
WELL LOOKS LIKE ANYBODY WHO'S SET ON FOR MOSY TOWN GOES HOME WITH EMPTY POCKETS
IT CAN'T BE
WHAT'S THIS? LOOKS LIKE THEY ADDED A NEW FEATURE FOR TODAY'S GAME- THE SPEAR ZONE!!
THIS SEEMS A LOT MORE DANGEROUS
I DON'T REMEMBER BATTLE ROAD BE- LIKE THIS BEFORE
I CAN'T TAKE IT ANYMORE
SOME TWO MORE DOGS HAVE RETIRED


MY SISTER TAUGHT ME THAT!!
YOU CAN'T TREAT ANIMALS THIS WAY!

UH

WHERE
MASTER CEDRICO I'VE SPOTTED HIM
GATE
e-...
NOW GO BRING UP OUR LITTLE SURPRISE
RIGHT C' DAN.
HE WENT THROUGH GATE 14. HEADING FOR THE TRAIN
'CUZ I'M READY TO GET DOWN!

Fight
DOORCHAIN
PLUE!
GET OUT OF THERE NOW
DON'T HAVE A
PLUE!!!
LOOKS LIKE SOMEONE JUST OPT A CHAIN OF LAND MINES! THAT'S GONNA HURT.
UH OH PLUE

JUST THE DAWG I'VE BEEN ANTIC. PATIN'
YOU BARELY MADE IT
THAT WAS CLOSE

YOU FELL RIGHT INTO MY TRAP
HMM
I HAD YOU ALL FIGURED OUT DAWG
AW DUDE! THE SMOKE GUY!
ゴホゴホ...

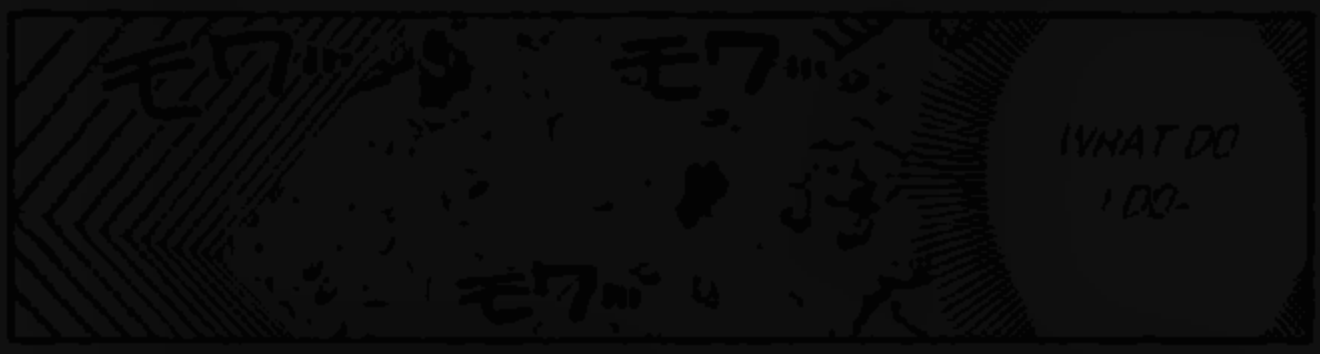
CAN JUST USE A BLAST FROM RAVE TO ESCAPE YOUR GAS
ABOUT YOUR TRAP-- SHUT IT I'M NOT AFRAID OF YOU.

?
IT SEEMS YOU DID NOT FOLLOW ... ATE THE ...TLATION YOU'RE IN

WHAT THE?!

HA HA HA
!!
オオオオオ
TO MY SMOKE HIZ-OUSE!
WELCOME
I'M DOOMED
AND IT'S TIGHT
FOUR TONS OF SOLID STEEL
NO WAY

OH WAIT YOU CAN'T! THE HIZ-OUSE IS CLOSED!
STAND BACK MR. MASTER.


WHAT DO I DO-

I CAN HOLD MY BREATH FOR AT FIVE MINUTES
WELL I'VE GOT THREE MINUTES AT LEAST

I'VE GOT IT
I'LL HOLD MY BREATH

HOW CAN I BEAT HIM BEFORE I PASS OUT?

TOXI-
GAS
BLAST!
LET'S
RUMBLE!
ボボボ
!
PERFECTION!!
ボボボ!!

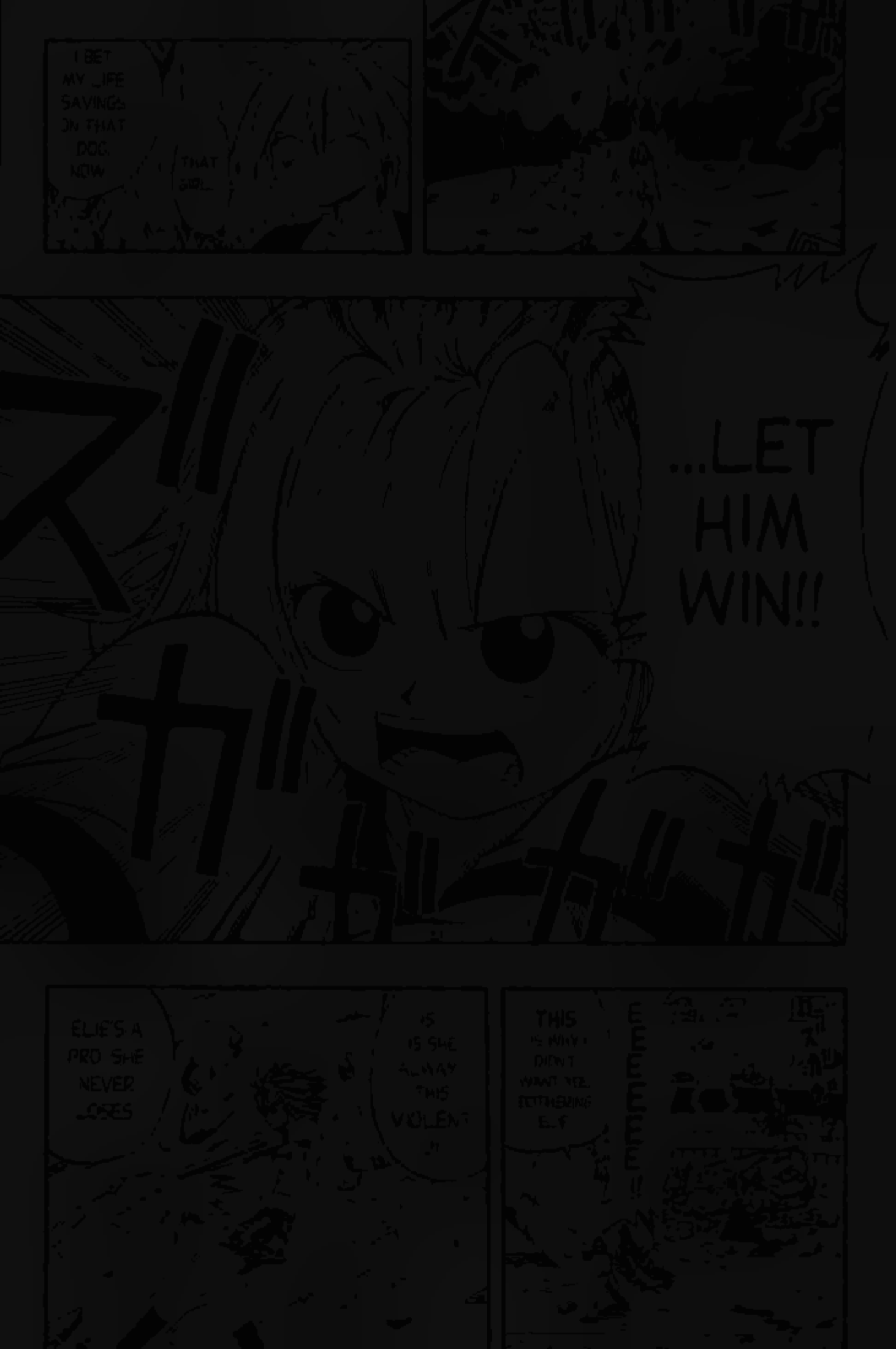
!
MAYBE IT'S CUZ ALL YOUR PRECIOUS OXYGEN'S GONE
WHAT'S THE MATTER MR MASTER? CAN'T GET YOUR BOOM ON-
PUUM!
!?
HA HA HA
NO BOOSTER... NO EXPLOSION ARE YOU PICKIN UP THE SCIENCE I'M THROWIN DOWN-
CAN'T
GO ON
STUPID DAWG-ER, DOG
NICE TRY DAWG BUT YOU'LL NEVER GET THROUGH BEFORE THIS CAT IS BREATHLESS

NOW GIVE IT UP SO WE CAN END THIS FASTER
IT'S BEEN A BAS MR MASTER

ADIOS
RAVE
MASTER

I'M REALLY GONNA DIE IN A PLACE LIKE THIS?

!
!?
AN
EXPLOSION?
BUT THAT'S
IMPOSSIBLE
WAAAAH!!
?
NOW MY
HAZ-DUSE
IS WACKED
OUT!


I BET MY LIFE SAVINGS ON THAT DOG NOW
THAT GIRL
...LET HIM WIN!!
ELIE'S A PRO SHE NEVER LOSES
IS SHE ALWAY THIS VIOLENT
THIS IS WHY I DIDN'T WANT YOU BOTHERING E.T
EEEEEEE!!

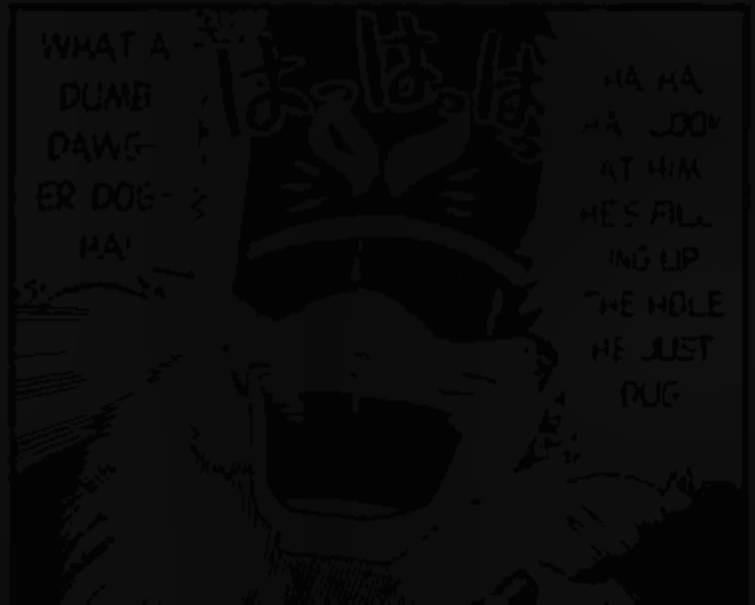
MORONS!!

YOU DOG-
DACING

THAT ELF GIRL SAVED ME
I DON'T KNOW WHAT'S GOING ON BUT

?

EVEN WITHOUT MY WIZ OLOGE IVE ST1 , BUT THE ACE
SAVED YOU? YOU DON'T KNOW THE SCORE MR MASTER


WHAT A DUMB DAWG-ER DOG- HA!
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HA HA HA LOOK AT HIM HE'S FILL ING UP THE HOLE HE JUST DUG

TOXI-
GAS
BLAST
!!!
YOU
GOING
DOWN
THIS
TIME!
WHERE'D
IT GO?
HUH.
MY
DARK
BRING
!?
?
W-
WAIT!
CAN'T WE
MAKE A
DEA-
DAING
NICE
WORK
PLLE!

NOT THIS TIME, "DAWG." I'M SEND-ING YOU TO THE POUND!!

RAVE
MASTER

HEH.

WH-
WHAT
DO WE
DO?
I DON'T
BELIEVE IT
HE DROPPED
MASTER
JEGRGO WITH
ONE HIT

ドカーン

LET'S GET OUTTA HERE!!
わーっ
ダダダダ

ズガガガ
STUPID.. MORONIC... IDIOTS!!
NOT GOOD. ELIE'S ON THE RAMPAGE AGAIN.

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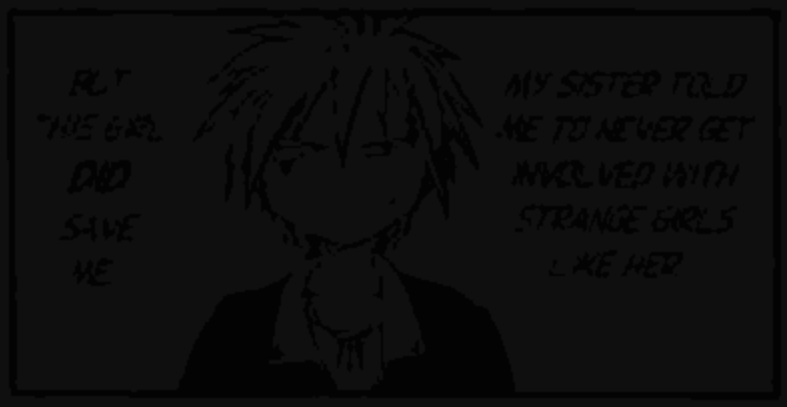
そー!!

AAH.
I FEEL
MUCH
BETTER
NOW!!

HIYA!


BUT
THIS GIRL
DID
SAVE
ME
MY SISTER TOLD
ME TO NEVER GET
INVOLVED WITH
STRANGE GIRLS
LIKE HER

OH, THAT WAS JUST LOOKING FOR THE RIGHT BY THE WAY
WHAT DO YOU MEAN?
WELL, ER SINCE YOU DID SAVE MY LIFE I GUESS SHOULD THANK YOU
AWW BUT I WANT IT
NO WAY!!!
くぱーk
CAN I HAVE IT? PLEASE?!
PUUN
ぱ!ん!!
PU-PUUN
すたたたた…
PUUN
OH!
I THINK KED MAKE A NICE PILLOW
?
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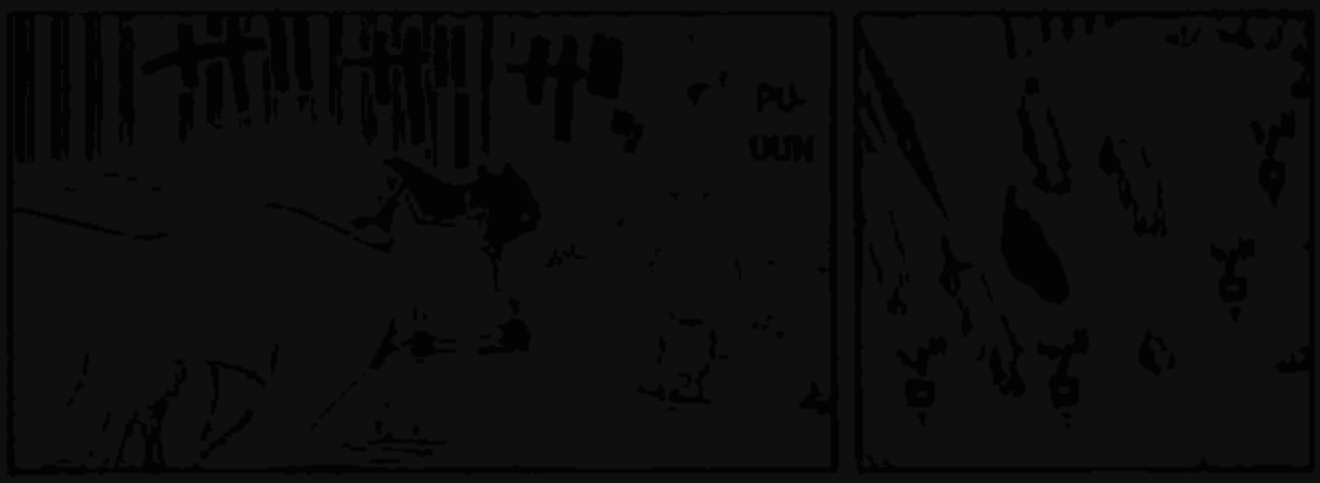

PU-
UUM

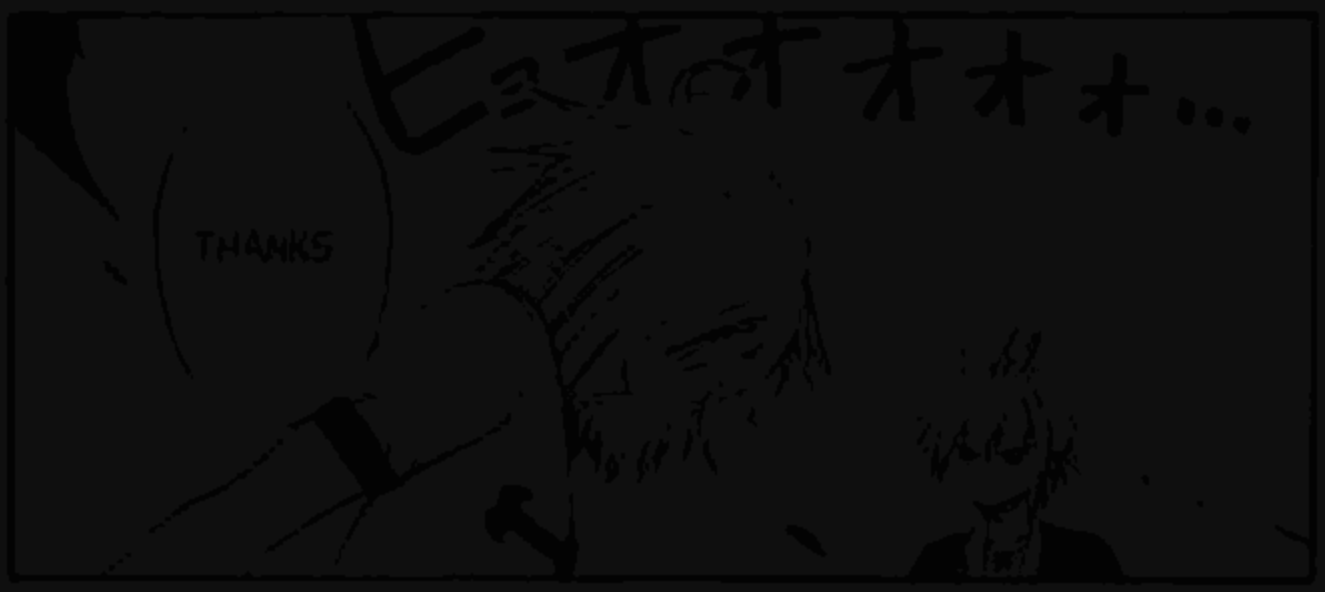
PU-
PUUM
THAT'S A LOT OF DOGS
SEE! HE'S SAVING HIS FRIENDS' DOGS DON'T DO THAT

I'M LOOKING FOR SOMEONE A GUY NAMED MUSILA
Good morning
DAILY
SO ISLAND BOY WHAT BRINGS YOU TO THIS PLACE?

MUSILA
I GUESS WE HAVE SOMETHING IN COMMON. I'M LOOKING FOR SOMETHING TOO

YOU KNOW HIM
HE'LL BE EASY TO FIND
OH YOU MUST MEAN MUSCA THE BLACK SMITH
PUNK STREET
HIP HOP TOWN
IT'S YOUR NUMBER ONE SOURCE FOR WEAPONS OF EVERY SHAPE AND SIZE!
PUNK STREET?
I DON'T KNOW HIM BUT I'VE HEARD OF HIM. HE'S GOT A SHOP DOWN ON PUNK STREET
PEOPLE GO THERE FROM ALL OVER THE WORLD
IT'S COMPLETE CHAOS
ANYONE. I MEAN ANYONE CAN BUY WEAPONS THERE

PUNK STREET HIGH?
SO MUSICA IS IN
TO PUNK STREET
GREAT THEN YOU CAN TAKE ME THERE!
WELL SORT OF I'VE BEEN THERE ONCE BEFORE
DO YOU KNOW PUNK STREET ELI?
YEAH! AND AFTER WE FIND MUSICA I'LL HELP YOU FIND WHAT YOU'RE LOOKING FOR!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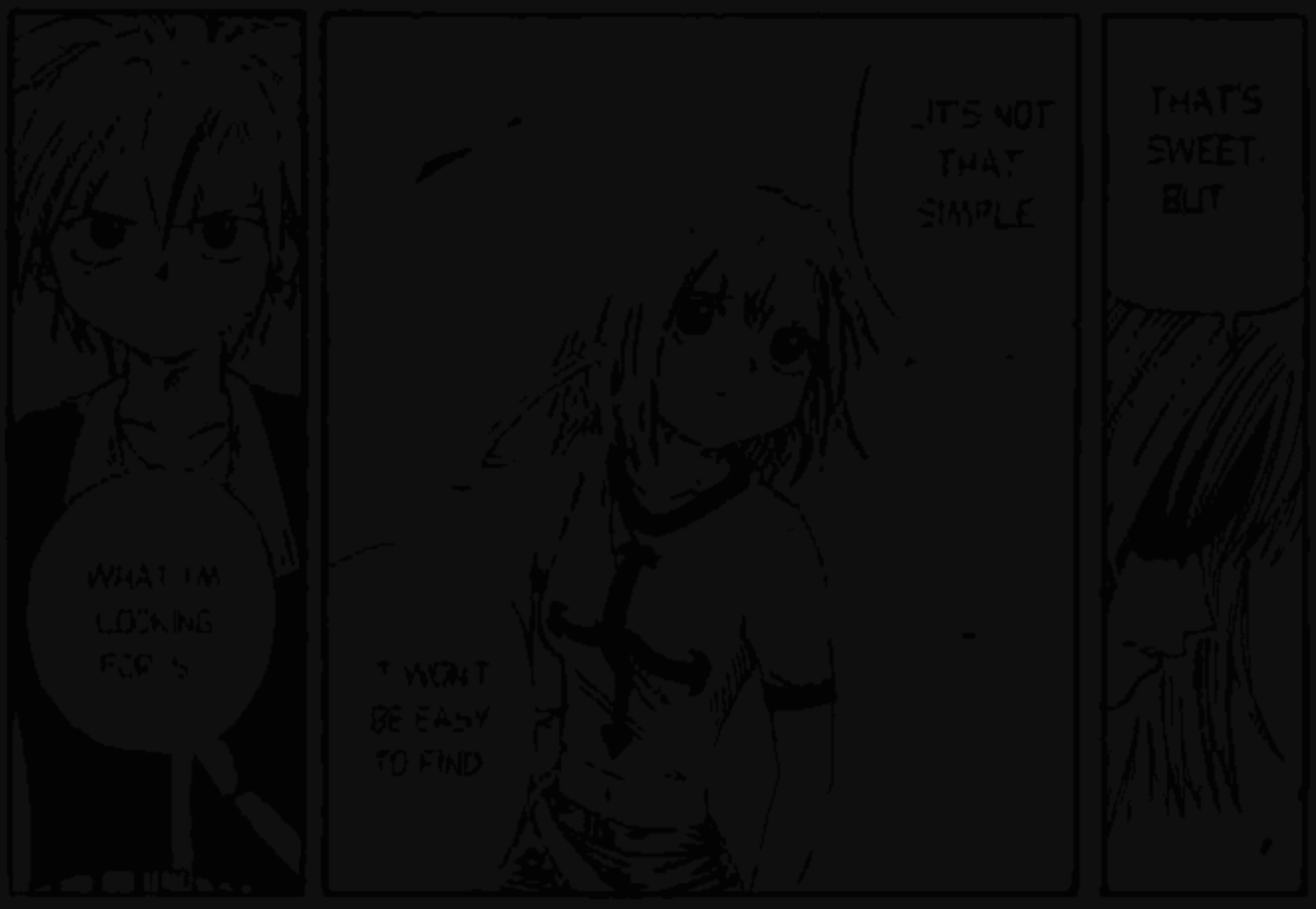
THANKS

WHAT ARE YOU SAYING- YOU TOLD ME WHERE MUSICA IS YOU'VE GOT TO LET ME HELP YOU!
BUT YOU DON'T HAVE TO DO THAT


WHAT I'M LOOKING FOR IS
IT WON'T BE EASY TO FIND
IT'S NOT THAT SIMPLE
THAT'S SWEET. BUT

.MY
MEMORY

YOUR
MEMORY

ABOUT
A YEAR
AGO
I LOST
MY
MEMORY

EVENTUALLY I'LL FIND SOMEONE WHO KNOWS ME
SO I FIGURE IF I TRAVEL LONG ENOUGH AND FAR ENOUGH
IF I KNEW THAT THERE WOULDN'T BE A PROBLEM
HOW DID YOU LOSE YOUR MEMORY?
MEMORY HELP
LET'S LOOP TOGETHER! TWO PEOPLE CAN FIND SOMETHING FASTER THAN ONE RIGHT?
HIT
IT ALL JUST COMES BACK TO ME
YOU KNOW I FORGET THINGS ALL THE TIME. BUT THEN SOMETIMES

YEAH! IT MIGHT BE SMALL AND HARD TO FIND
KEY?
I'M SURE THE KEY TO YOUR MEMORY IS OUT THERE SOMEWHERE JUST WAITING TO BE FOUND

SO I'M SURE WE'LL FIND IT
BUT IT'S THE KEY TO A VERY IMPORTANT DOORWAY

LET'S DO IT
OKAY.

HUH?
I DON'T THINK WE NEED TO WORRY ABOUT THAT WITH DEMON CARD GONE, WE DON'T HAVE TO PAY TO LEAVE RIGHT?
I GUESS YOU'RE RIGHT
I LOST EVERY THING I HAD IN THAT PLACE
BUT HOW ARE WE SUPPOSED TO LEAVE TOWN?
YKNOW I WAS HOPING TO STOP BY FUNK STREET ANYWAY
ALL RIGHT !!
WE'RE FREE TO GO
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2B
OOPS
TO SCOOP UP THESE TONFA BLASTERS !!

ELIE!
WHAT
ARE YOU
DOING?!

IS YOUR HAPPINESS ALWAYS THIS EXTREME?
I COULDN'T HELP IT I WAS AMAZED
AAH! THIS GATE'S NO GOOD EITHER
THE GATES BLOCKED
THIS LOOKS BAD
AW SNAP! WE'RE NOT GONNA MAKE IT
IS THAT THE ONLY GATE LEFT.

PUUN!

PUUN!
ALL RIGHT PLUE!

ELIE' GRAB HOLD'

YA HA HA HA HAH !!
HA HA HA !!
WOOO HOO!!
SEE YA, DOG TRACK

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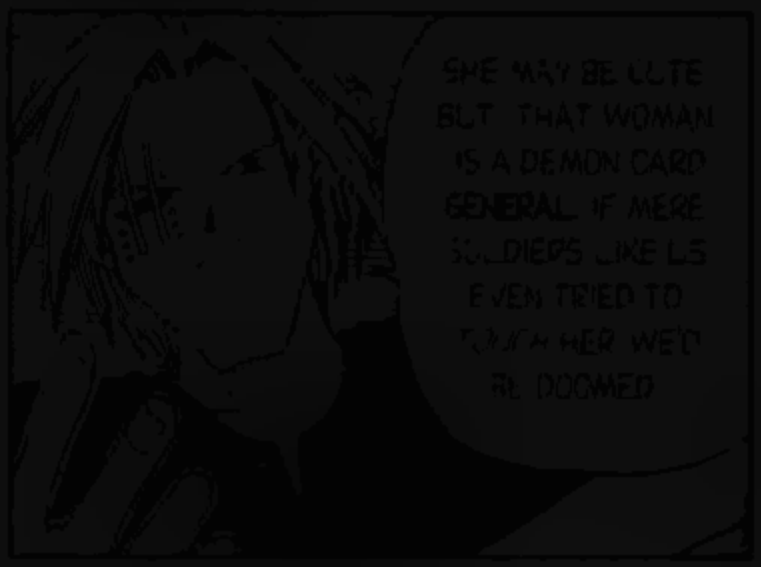
RAPSODIA
Meanwhile, in the Moving Fortress Rapsodia somewhere in the Western Wasteland of the Sand Continent...


SHE MAY BE CUTE BUT THAT WOMAN IS A DEMON CARD GENERAL IF MERE SOLDIERS LIKE US EVEN TRIED TO TOUCH HER WE'D BE DOOMED

NO MATTER HOW MUCH I LOOK AT IT I NEVER GET SICK OF IT
YOU STILL OGLING REINA'S PICTURE?

US GENERALS' DON'T BE RIDICULOUS

STILL GUYS LIKE US CAN MOVE UP THE RANKS
YES YES I KNOW THAT'S WHY YOU SHOULD CALL HER LADY REINA!
Tch..!!

LORD SHIDA

IT APPEARS OUR BASEOLS FRIEND GEORGO HAS BEEN DEFEATED

WHERE IS HARU HEADED?

PREPARE RAPSODIA FOR LIFT OFF WE'RE MOVING OUT
YES AND HIS DARK SPIRIT WAS DESTROYED
YESSIR!

WHAT? GEORGO

LET'S SEE HOW YOU HANDLE LANCE AND HIS BEAST SWORD GIVE
PUNK STREET GIRL

PUNK STREET GIRL

I TOLD YOU, NO!
OH C'MON, HARU! LET ME HAVE HIM
...I'D LANCE WON'T BE SO EASILY DEFEATED...

OOF!
YOU'RE SUCH A TIGHT-WAD!!

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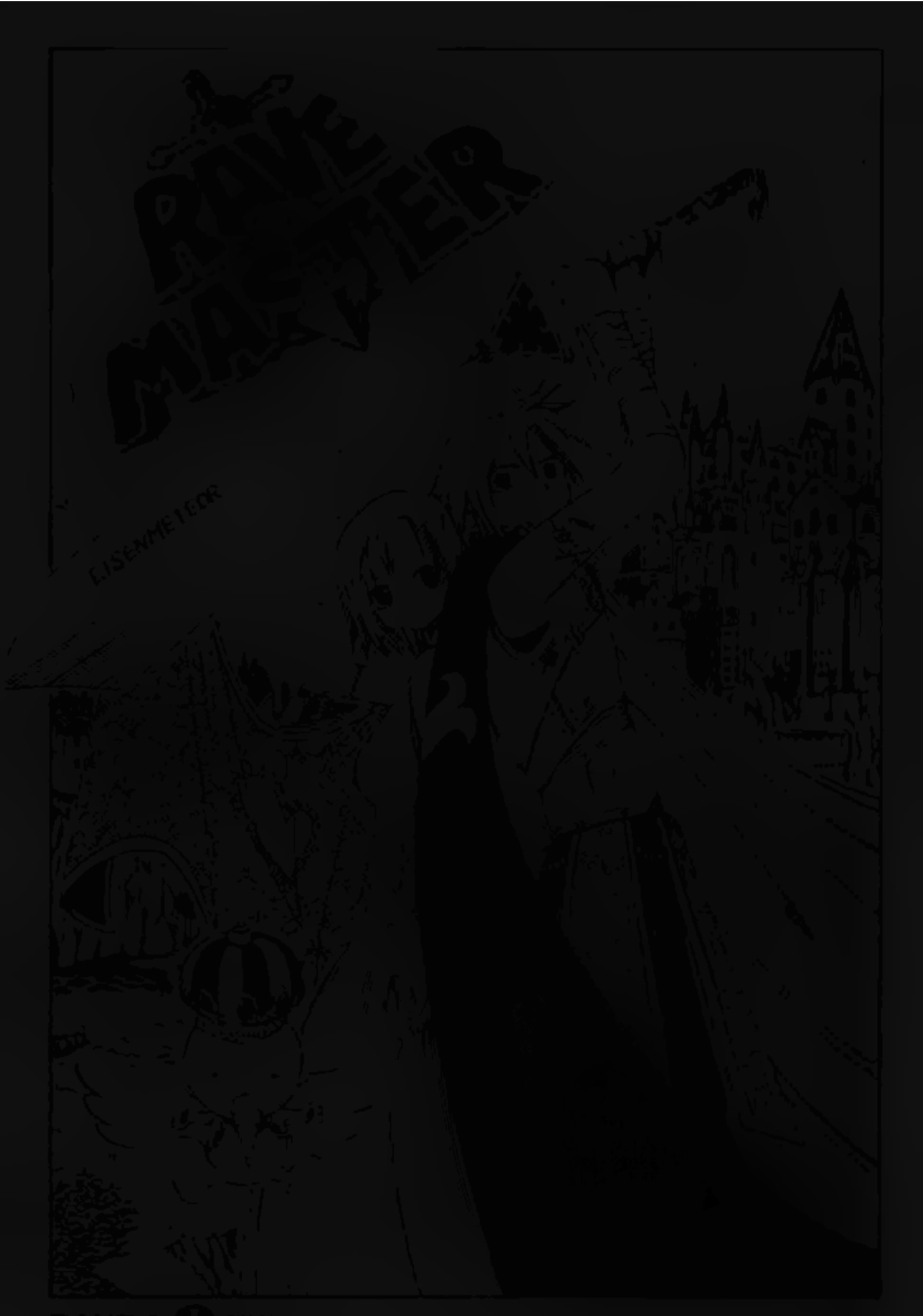
FINE! I DON'T WANT HIM ANY-MORE!
THBBT!

Thanks, Haru.
AO-I, YOU GOT BACK AO-I!


RAVE MASTER
EISENMEIER
3

ECHO PUNK STREET
Punk Street the largest weapons district in the world
INCREDIBLE EVERYONE'S WALKING AROUND ARMED
AH PUNK STREET DID YA MISS ME
PUNK STREET

!
PUUN
GRUMBLE!...
THAT'S BECAUSE SONG CONTINENT GETS MORE DANGEROUS THE FARTHER WEST YOU GO

ARE YOU THINKING WHAT I'M THINKING?
BUT FIRST WHALE FIRST
IT'S KINDA OVER WHELMING ISN'T IT?

HEH
I KNOW THE PERFECT PLACE YOU'LL LOVE IT!

WELL I DON'T CARE WHAT IT IS AS LONG AS IT'S EDIBLE
I WONDER WHAT KIND OF FOOD SHE MEANS MEAT? FISH? NOODLES?
SHE'S A GIRL SHE PROBABLY MEANS ICE CREAM
IT? IT WHAT
YOU'VE GOT TO TRY IT!

THIS IS "IT?"
CASINO
GORGEOUS TIME

OKAY!

FIRST WE NEED TO SEE POO!
BUT I'M NOT HUNGRY

P.O.

SHE SURE IS A STRANGE BIRD.

CA CAPN
SEEYA I GUESS I'M GOING TO HAVE SOME MOVIES FOR THE WAR EFFORT!

PUN
OOOH YEAH!!
I'M STUFFED !!

YOU'RE STILL EATING YOUR CANDY?
TV
BROMP

!

WHAT IS THAT THING?!
HEY BLUE IS THERE SOME THING ON MY FACE?
WHAT'S EVERYBODY STARING AT?
PU POOH

!!
WHASA BIG DEA. I JUST ASKED FER A DRINK
HIC!
HOW MANY TIMES DO I HAVE TO TE... YOU GO AWAY
JUT OF MY SHOP

HIC!
ASPEC NE TA EAT THIS STUFF.
THIS IS A PASTA SHOP SO BUY SOME PASTA OR GET OUT!
YEAH! NOW WHAT KIND OF DRINK YOU WANT

JUS ONE DRINK AND I PROMISE TO GO AWAY!
C'MON! JUST POUR ME A DRINK!

E-Cash!
PJUE
LET'S GET OUTTA HERE PJUE
MY SISTER TAUGHT ME TO STAY AWAY FROM DRUNK-LIKE HIM
HIC
HIC

AAUGH!!

HICI
HICI
THAS GREAT!

OOOH

?

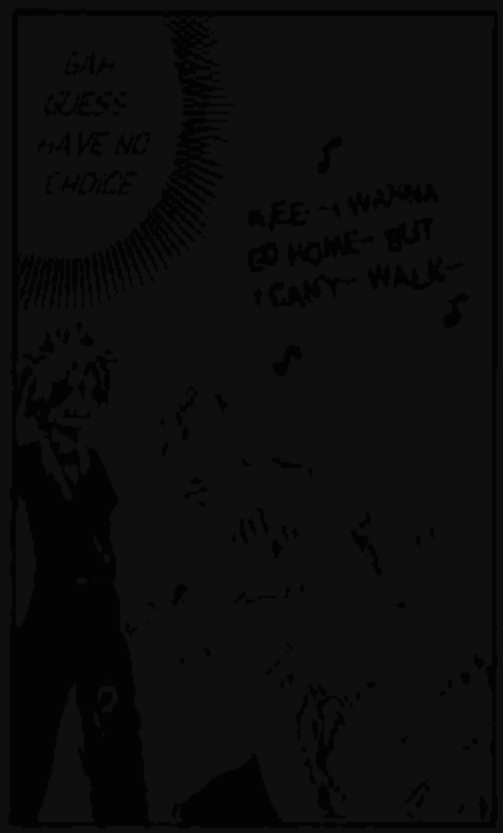
NO!
FINALLY SOMEONE WHO UNDERSTANDS! YOU SHOULD STICK WITH ME JUSTLY

YOU NEED TO GET SOME HELP DUDE MAN!
THERE'S NO NEED TO BE RUDE
NO WAY
WHA SA MATTER. YOU WANNA DRINK, TOO?
しゅん..
TOO BAD
SORRY BUT WE HAVE THINGS TO DO
LET'S GO PLUE
LET GO DUDE MAN! WE'VE GOTTA GO FIND MUSICA
HIC!
HIC! WHEN WILL YOU BE FINISHED?
POUNI

YOU SHOULDA SAID SOMETH'N SOONER! JUS LEAVE IT TO ME!
BUWAH HA HA HA HA!!
WHAT ?!

パターン!

YOU KNOW WHERE MUSICA IS?


GAH GUESS HAVE NO CHOICE
♪EE-I WANNA GO HOME-BUT I CAN'T WALK-♪

ばーん!!
WAA! I WANNA GO HOME!

MISTED THE BILL!
HEY KID CAN'T YOU WALK ANY FASTER?
I GOTTA HAFTA PEE
THAT'S HARU
HIC!
HIC WHAT'S HER NAME
STOP I THINK I'M GONNA
WAA HOO! THAT'S IT - I'D TURBO WOE
HYAHAHA!!
KEEP IT UP, OLD MAN, AND I REALLY WILL SLUG YOU!
CRAZY DRIVER ARE YOU DRUNK OR SOME THIN'

BUWAH HA HA HA!!

WHERE ARE YOU GONNA TELL ME WHERE AFRICA IS!
SO, UH

PUUN
THAT'S GREAT LIL GUY! DRINK SOME MORE

PUUU

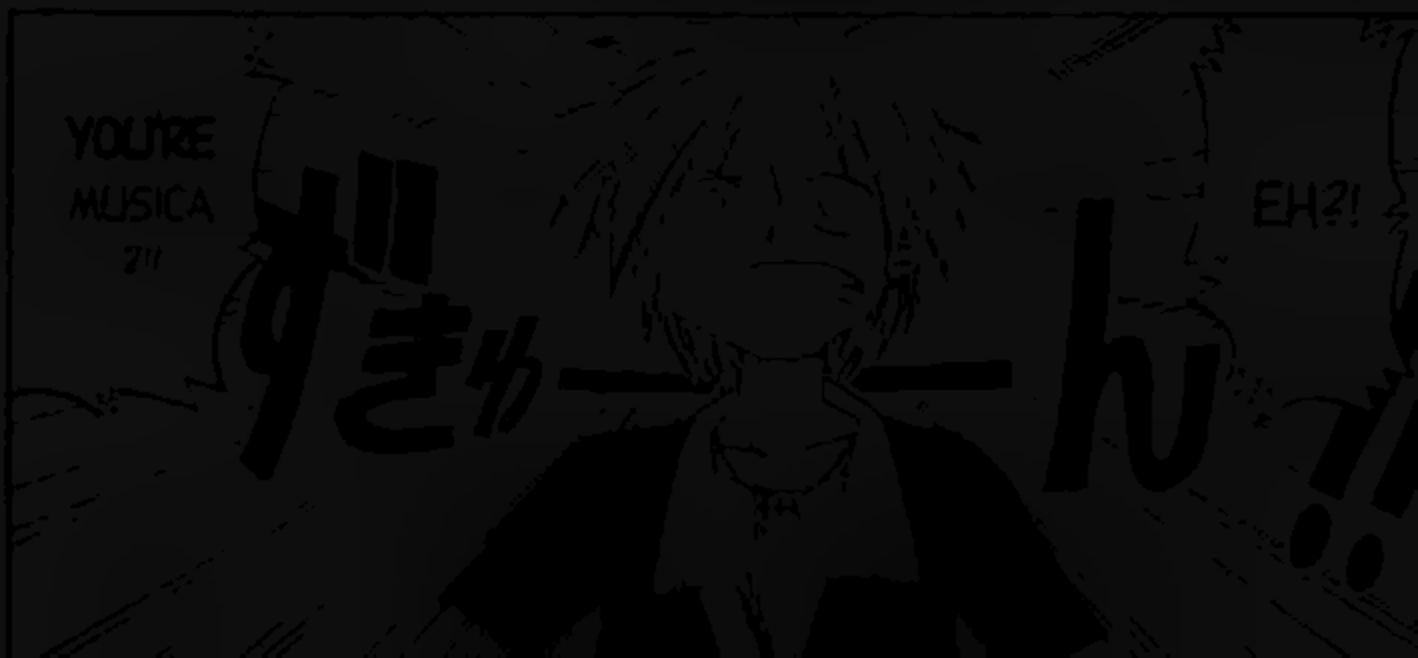
PUUU

DONT FALL ASLEEP

PUUN?
YOU DRANK TOO MUCH TOO DONT YA PLUE

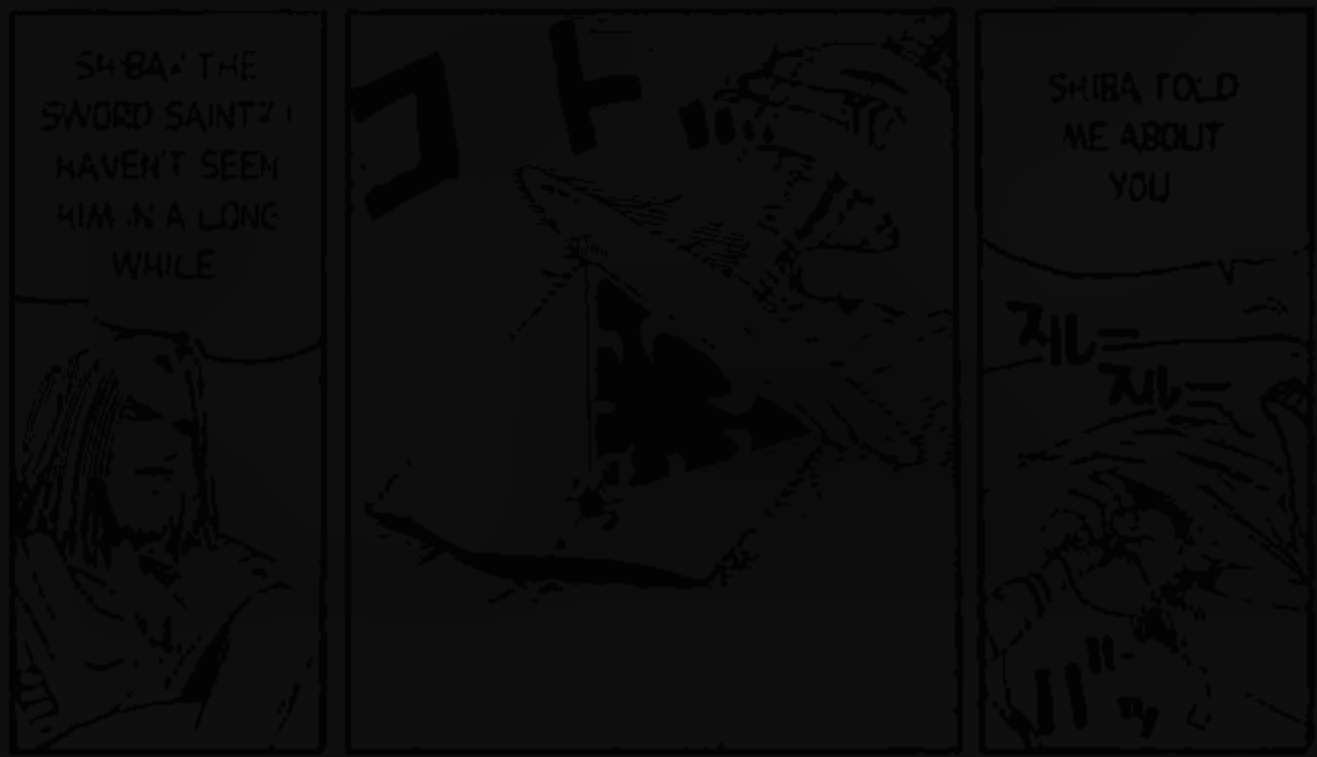
ALL RIGHT I'VE WAITED LONG ENOUGH NOW
GAAH!!
SOBER UP!!
NOW TELL ME WHERE TO FIND MLSICA
COLD!!

NOW WHAT DO YOU WANT WITH ME?
I'M MUSICA


YOU'RE MUSICA TOO
EH?!

MUSICA THE BLACK-SMITH
YUP. THAT'S ME

I FINALLY FOUND HIM!
MUSICA THE LEGENDARY BLACKSMITH!


SHIBA THE SWORD SAINT? I HAVEN'T SEEN HIM IN A LONG WHILE
SHIBA TOLD ME ABOUT YOU

I HEARD YOU COULD FIX IT
THIS IS A VERY IMPORTANT SWORD
THE TEN POWERS SWORD
SEE
YOU MEAN YOU— FIX IT?
IT'LL TAKE TWO DAYS

SURE!
THANK YOU!!
I WANT YOU TO STAY AWAY FROM HERE WHILE I'M WORKING
GUESS SHE'S STILL AT THAT CASINO
TWO DAYS NOW! I SHOULD TRY TO MEET UP WITH ELIE
HEY! IT'S ON THE TABLE
DID YOU GET IT

MASTER LANCE WILL BE PLEASED
DEATH
YOU DID THE RIGHT THING, OLD MAN
DEMON CARD
BIS

!

YOU MAKE THE BOOZE TASTE BAD
IF YOU'RE FINISHED WOULD YOU PLEASE LEAVE?

I BROUGHT THE KID'S SWORD, JUST LIKE YOU ASKED
WHAT ARE YOU TRYING TO PULL?

HOLD ON!
THIS DOESN'T HAVE RAVE IN IT

SO THAT KID STILL HAS RAVE
A WISE GUY EH? I SHOULD DROP YOU RIGHT NOW, OLD MAN!

YOU SHOULDN'T PISS OFF MASTER LANCE YOU CAN'T HIDE BEHIND THE BOTTLE ONCE YOU'RE ON HIS BAD SIDE
THIS SWORD IS USELESS WITHOUT IT!

THOSE OTHER PUNKS HAD CRAZY LUCK. NO WAY THEY SHOULD HAVE BEAT YOUR HAND
YEAH
THIS IS NOT MY LUCKY DAY

MAYBE I SHOULD TREAT HARL TO SOMETHING NICE WITH SOME OF MY WINNINGS
MY LUCK WAS GREAT TODAY AS USUAL

APC
YEAH, THOSE GUYS TOOK US FOR EVERYTHING WE HAD
WE'LL GET 'EM NEXT TIME

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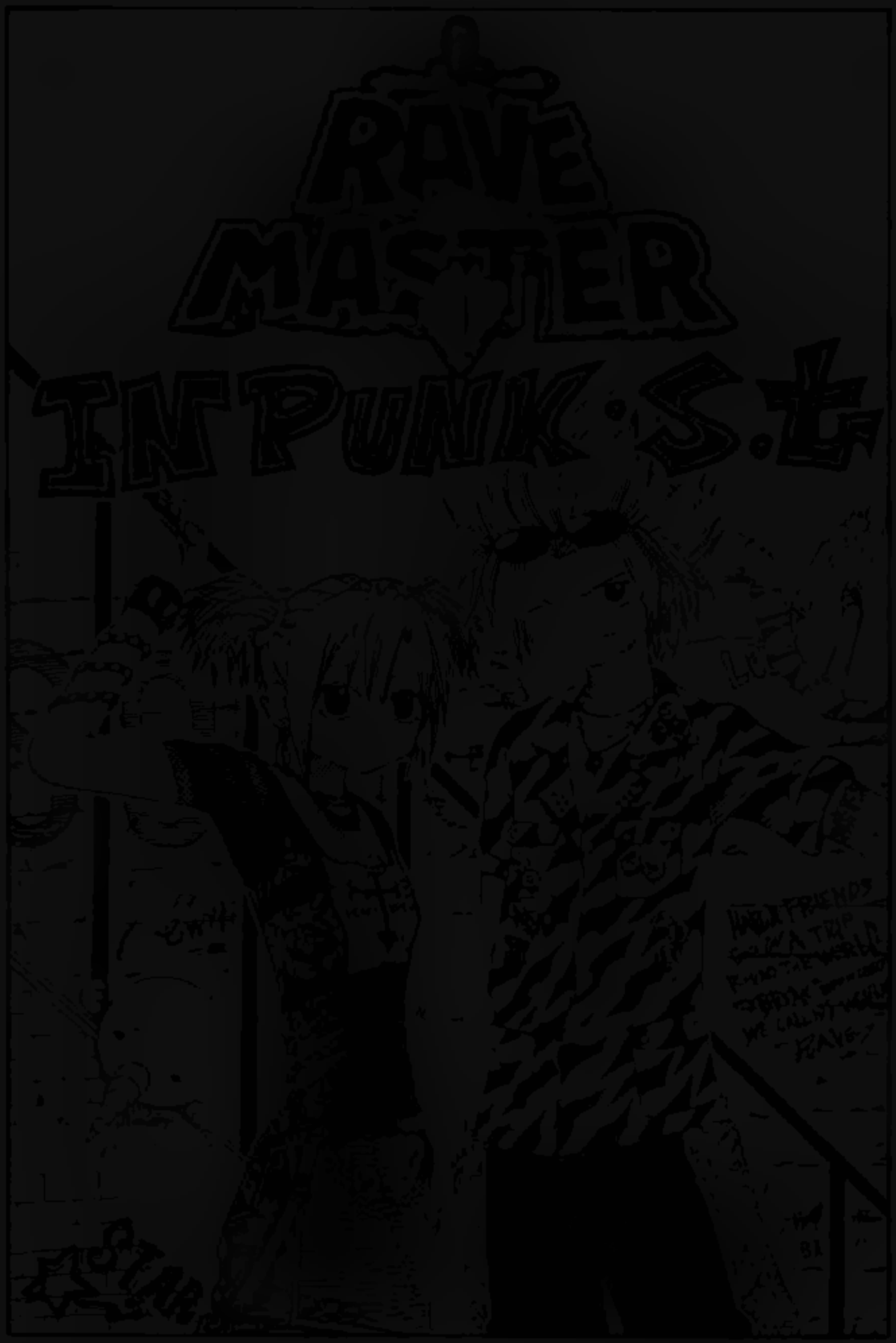
AIN'T THAT RIGHT MUSICA?
Name
MUSICA

MUSICA?


RAVE
MASTER
INFUNK·S·

EXCUSE ME!

YOU'RE MUSICA, RIGHT?

CUT IT OUT
YEAH, AND HOW DO YOU EVEN KNOW HIS NAME?
HUH, GIRL?
WHAT BUSINESS YOU GOT WITH MUSICA?

NO WAY !!
CAN'T YOU SEE BOYS! SHE'S TRYING TO FLIRT WITH ME
ULT WHAT DOES A CUTE GIRL LIKE YOU WANT WITH ME
YEP THAT I AM
SO YOU ARE MUSICA!
WILL YOU COME WITH ME
I HAVE A FAVOR TO ASK

BUT A CUTIE LIKE HER IS FLIRTING WITH ME. SEEMS MY LUCK WITH THE LADIES IS ON THE RISE!
HEH
LUCKY! I HAVE LOST A TON OF MONEY AT THE CASINO

OF- OF COURSE! LEAD THE WAY!
RIGHT ON!
WI- YOU COME?
SO..

NOW WHERE WAS
OH HAGU! OVER HERE
DUDE, THIS IS SO UNFAIR. HOW COME MUSICA'S THE ONLY ONE TO GET A GIRL!
SHUT IT AND MOVE IT!
HEY GUYS! JUST HANG OUT AT THE ARCADE 'TIL NIGHTFALL. GOT IT.
NO WAIT! MAKE IT UNIT... NORMAL
WHAA?!

..BUT IT TURNS OUT
IT'S A LONG STORY' Y'SEE I RAN INTO THIS REALLY DRUNK GUY
HUH ?
WHAT'S WITH YOUR BUT- HARU? HAS HE BEEN DRINKING?

BACK TO MY GANG. IT'S CLEAR YOU DON'T NEED ME ANYMORE
? ? ?
HOLD IT!!! WHERE DO YOU THINK YOU'RE GOING?

RATS! SHE'S FAKE!
ACTUALLY HARU

HARU THIS IS MUSICA

REALLY? THEN WHO'S THIS GUY-
BUT I ALREADY MET MUSICA

I'M NOT LYING! WHAT'S WITH YOU GUYS!
HE'S LYING

I'M MUSICA, OF THE SILVER RHYTHM GANG
DON'T TELL ME YOU'VE NEVER HEARD OF ME?

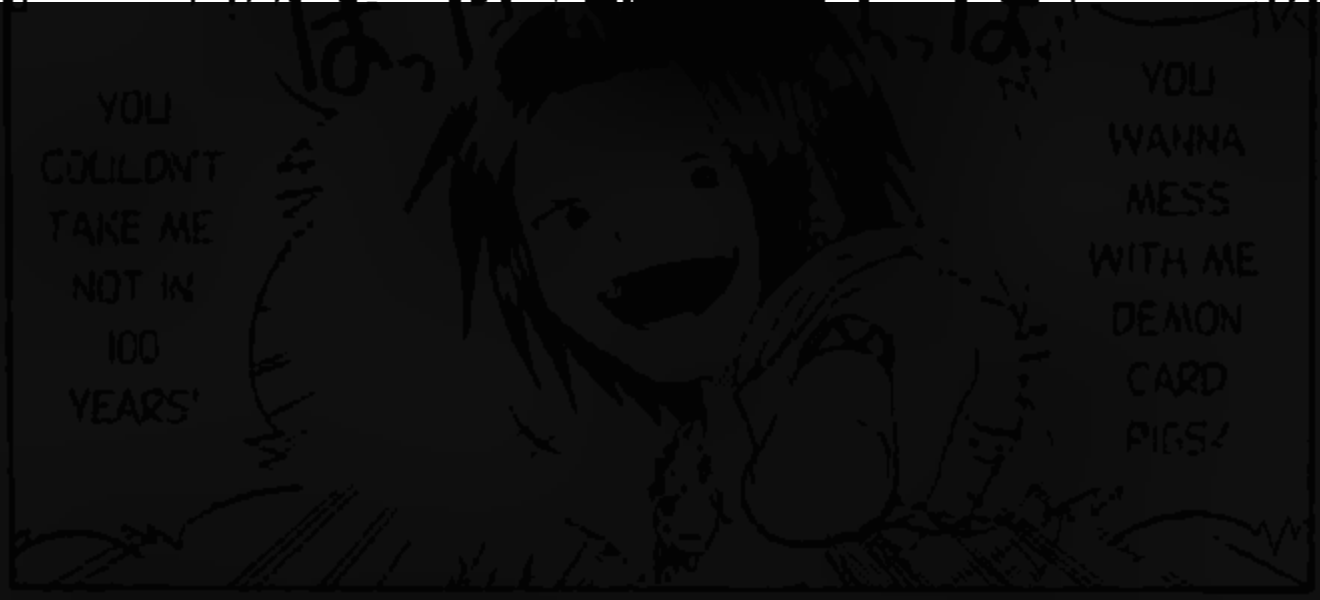
HE JUST HAPPENS TO HAVE THE SAME NAME AS OUR GUY THE MUSICA WE WANT IS A LEGENDARY BLACKSMITH
THIS GUY'S JUST SOME GANG-BANGER
WHAT ?!
NOPE CAN'T SAY THAT I HAVE
WHA- WOULD YOU KNOW ABOUT IT?
LOOKS LIKE SOMEONE PULLED A TRICK ON YA, HUH?
NEVER HEARD OF HIM
BLACK SMITH MUSICA-
NO DOUBT ABOUT IT
THAT'S HIM ALL RIGHT
I'M JUST SAYIN' IS ALL THIS - A DANGEROUS CITY WHAT WITH THOSE DEMON CARD PUNKS
JUST BE CAREFUL WHO YOU TRUST
SEE YA!

DEATH
THAT'S HIM? THAT'S THE HEIR TO RAVE? HE'S JUST A KID!

WHO ARE YOU?

THEYRE FROM DEMON CARD.

SPEAK OF THE DEVIL


YOU COULDN'T TAKE ME NOT IN 100 YEARS!
YOU WANNA MESS WITH ME DEMON CARD PIGS!

WHO'S THE PUNK WITH THE BIG MOUTH?

HA HA HA! THERE'S NOTHING CAN STEAL
LEADER-SAN!
YOU DIDN'T MENTION THAT

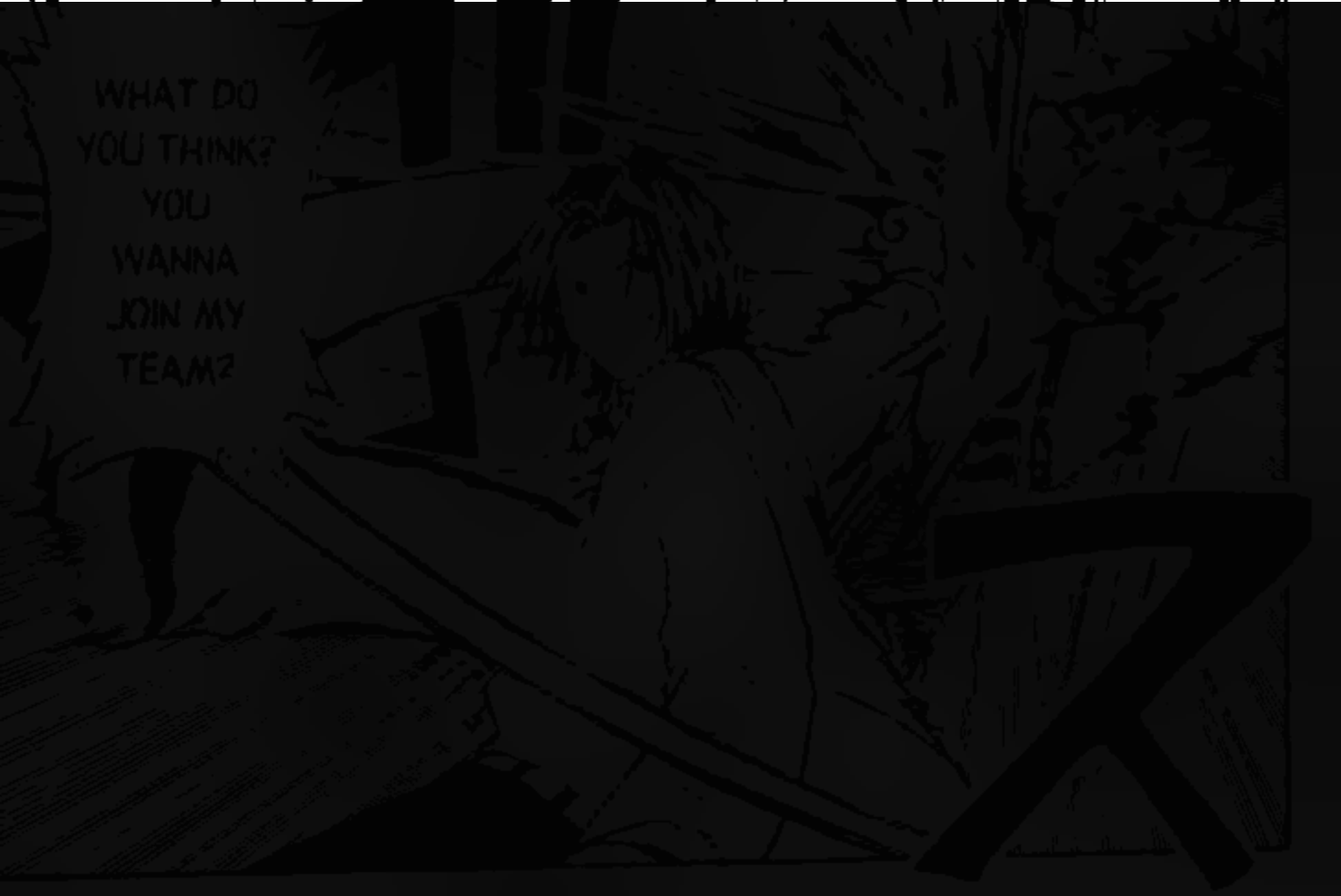
THE LEADER OF THE SILVER RHYTHM GANG!
THREE PIERCINGS ABOVE THE BROW & SILVER HAIR

I SEE. SO THIS IS THE GUY THAT BEEN ROUGHING UP MY MEN. I DIDN'T EXPECT SUCH A WEAK_ING
DEATH

STILL HERE? YOU MUST BE VERY BRAVE
UAN
OOOF!!
...OR VERY STUPID!!
I WANNA FIND OUT JUST HOW POWERFUL
OUT OF THE WAY!!
GUESS HAVE NO CHOICE
TAKE THIS!

MY NEW NEO-TONFA BLASTERS CAN BE!
YOU TRYIN' TO KILL ME?!
WHY ISN'T IT F'RING AGAIN?!
KLICK...
?
KA-KLICK...
KA-KLICK...
OW!

HEY
DON'T LET THEM GET AWAY STOP THEM
WHAT WILD NAME
HARU-HUH? YOU'RE NOT TOO BAD IN A FIGHT
I LIKE YOU
UGH!!
HARU!!


WHAT DO YOU THINK? YOU WANNA JOIN MY TEAM?

I HAVEN'T SEEN SOMEBODY FIGHT AS WELL AS YOU IN A LONG TIME. HOW BOUT WE HAVE A LITTLE MATCH SOME TIME... YOU AND ME?
NAH I DON'T LIKE GANGS!

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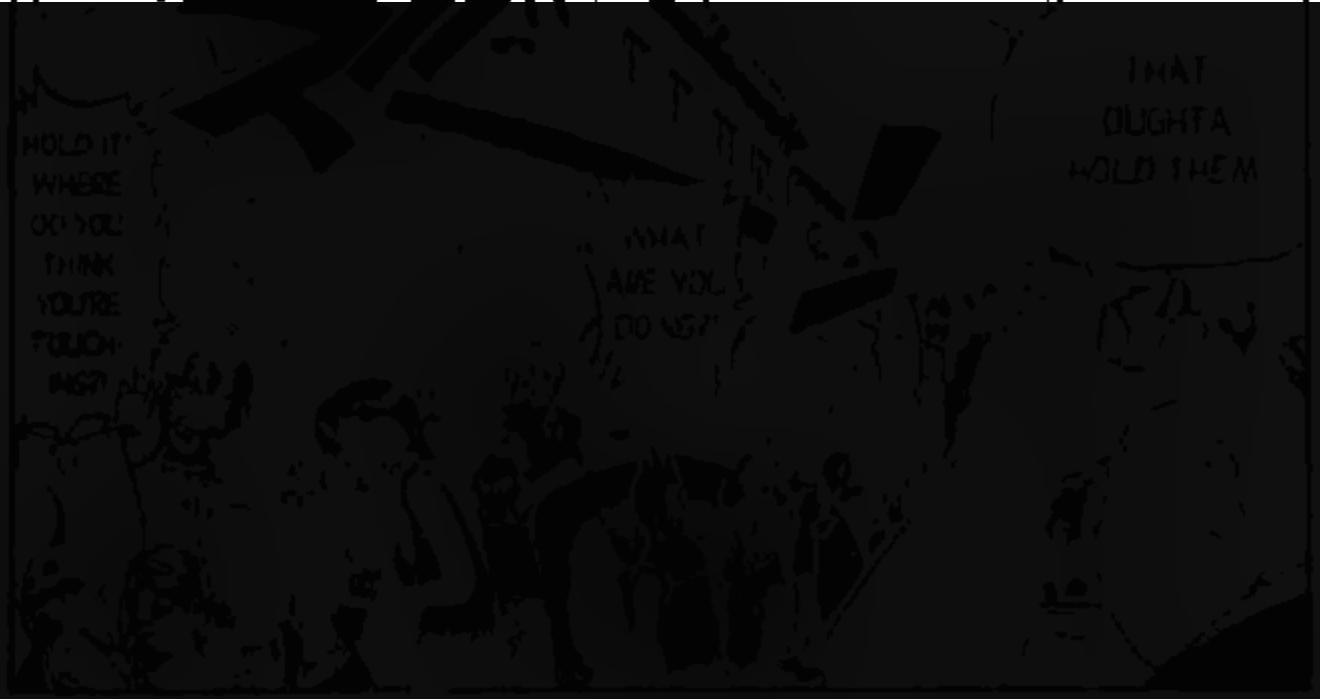
BS THEY'RE JUST TOO STRONG!
HEH HEH GIVE UP NOW YOU CAN'T BEAT ME!

YOU GUYS ARE REALLY SCREWED NOW!
!!?
CATS
WHA?!
YAA-AAH!


HOLD IT! WHERE DO YOU THINK YOU'RE TAKIN' THAT?
WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
THAT OUGHTA HOLD THEM

WHAT
BIS WE GONNA FIND IT ANY WHERE

RAVE?

I'M NOT TELLING!

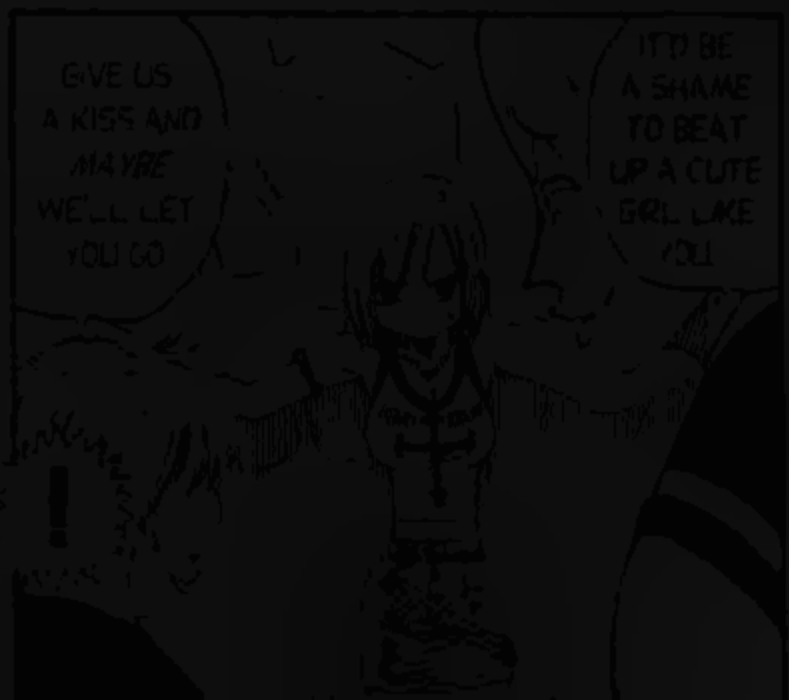
OKAY, KID WHERE'RE YOU HIDING THE RAVE?

THE KID DOESN'T HAVE A CLUE... THAT MEANS...

YES SIR!
FINISH THEM
LEAVE THIS UP TO YOU GUYS

WH WHAT HAP PENED
YEOOOW!!

HAVE I BEEN TELEPORTED?


GIVE US A KISS AND MAYBE WE'LL LET YOU GO
IT'D BE A SHAME TO BEAT UP A CUTE GIRL LIKE YOU

PUUN
EEEEEEK
WAAA

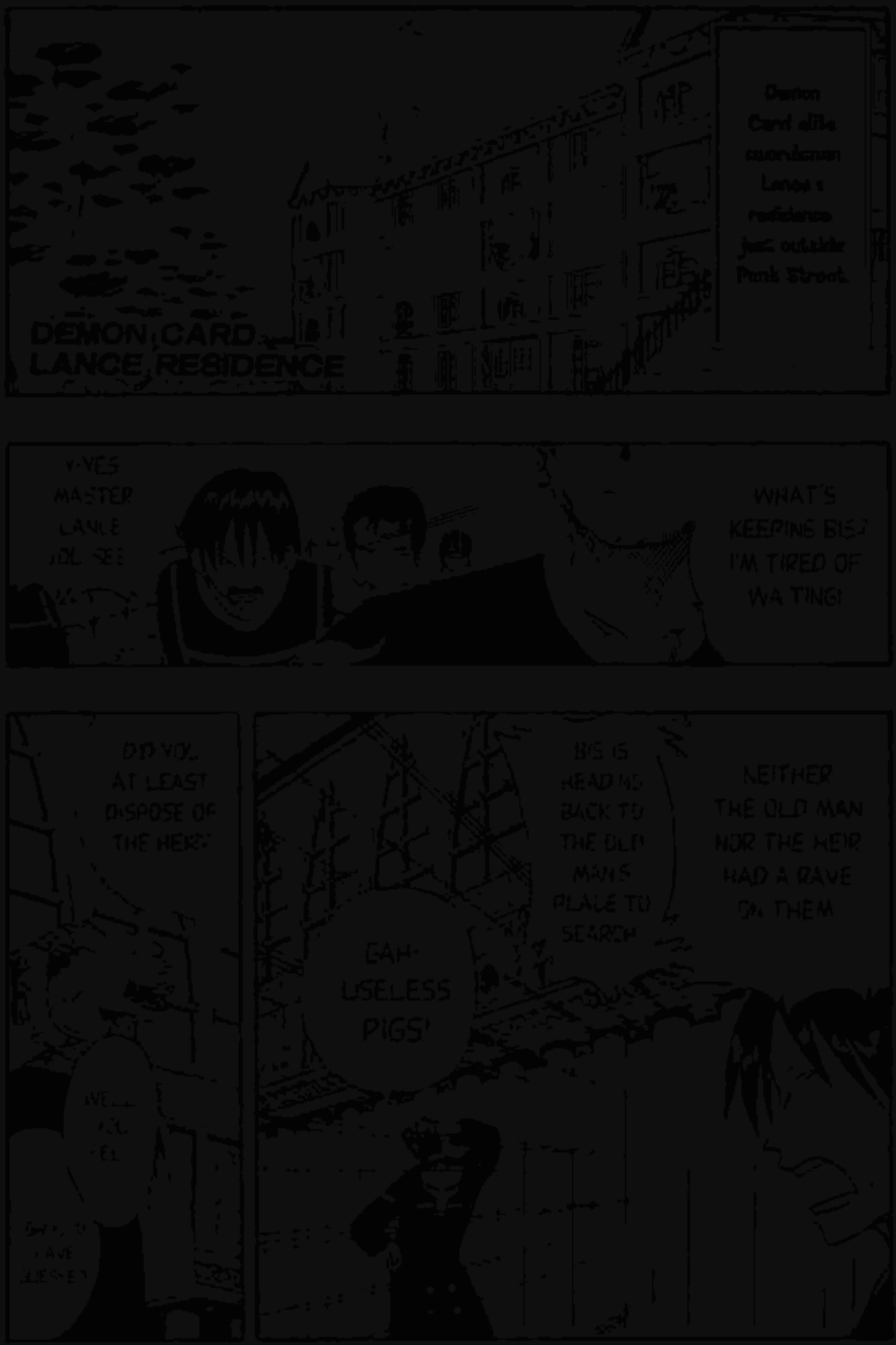
SO THEN WHY DON'T YOU HAVE YOUR RAVE NOW?
HEY WHAT IS RAVE?
DID I HEAR CORRECTLY THAT YOU'RE A RAVE MASTER.
THAT MUSICA IS A FAKE
I DON'T THINK YOU'LL BE SO DUMB AS GET YOUR RAVE BACK
WHAT? WHO DID WHAT?
I LEFT T WITH THE BLACK SMITH MUSICA
THE BOYS ARE IGNORING ME LET'S GO, YULIE
I WAS THE ONLY SURVIVOR
THE ENTIRE MUSICA FAMILY WAS KILLED IN A TERRIBLE ACCIDENT
ARE YOU SLOW? I'M TELLING YOU, IT'S NOT!
HIS NAME IS MUSICA TOO! THOUGH
I'M THE LAST MUSICA

I KNOW HE DIDN'T LIE TO ME
I'M STILL SURE THAT OLD MAN IS MUSICA

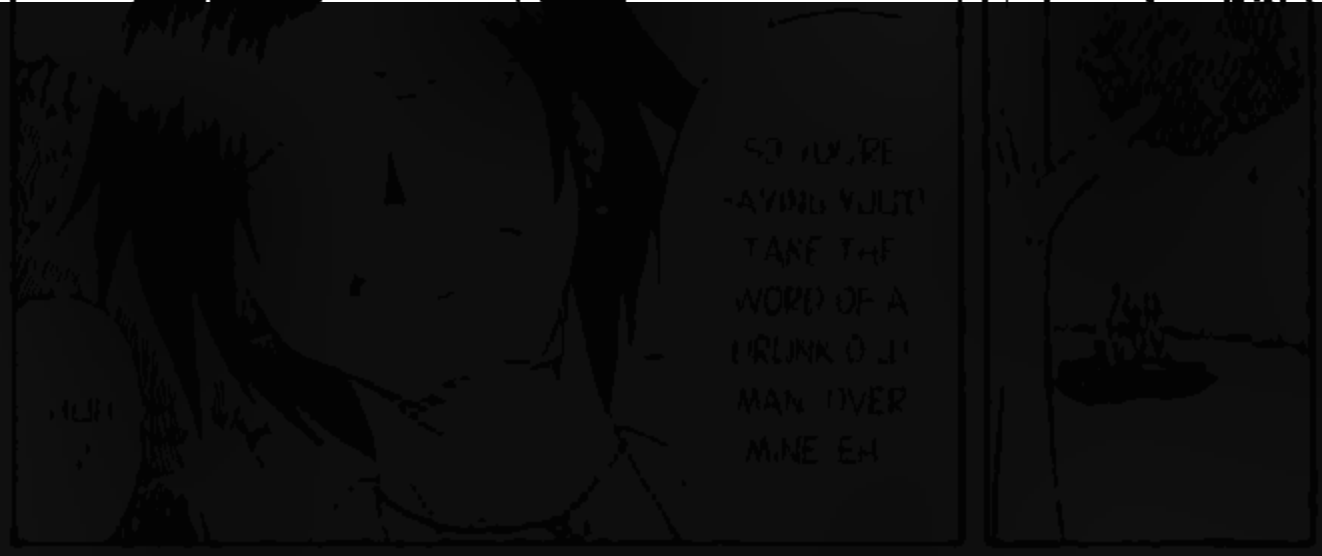
THE BASTARD. WHO DOES HE THINK HE'S DEALING WITH?!
IF THE HEIR DIDN'T HAVE A RAVE, THEN I MUSICA MUST HAVE IT

RAVE
AFTER
4.... THIS
TIME I
FINALLY
HAVE IT!
STUPID
KID

RAVE
MASTER


DEMON CARD LANCE RESIDENCE
Demon Card dile residence Lance s residence just outside Punk Street
Y-YES MASTER LANCE I'LL SEE
WHAT'S KEEPING BIS? I'M TIRED OF WA TING!
DID YOU AT LEAST DISPOSE OF THE HEIR?
BIS IS HEADING BACK TO THE OLD MAN'S PLACE TO SEARCH
NEITHER THE OLD MAN NOR THE HEIR HAD A RAVE ON THEM
GAH USELESS PIGS!

BESIDES I'VE MISSED THE THRI— OF THE HUNT
WELL, GUESS IF I WANT THIS DONE RIGHT I'LL HAVE TO DO IT MYSELF!
...AND THE THRILL OF THE KILL!
DEMON CARD
LANCE


SO YOU'RE SAYING YOU'LL TAKE THE WORD OF A DRUNK OLD MAN OVER MINE EH

YEAH WELL NOT THIS TIME
SURELY THERE CAN BE TWO PEOPLE WITH THE SAME NAME
THAT'S NOT WHAT SAID

NOW THAT YOU MENTION IT I DON'T SEE THEM LEAVE
WHERE DO PLEASE AND THANK YOU

DON'T YOU THINK IT'S DANGEROUS FOR HER TO BE ALONE IN THE
AFTER OUR RUN IN WITH THAT SCREW HEAD OF MOM I'D KNOW WHO SHE IS
SHE PROBABLY WENT TO THE TONER SHOP
I HEARD HER SAY SOMETHING ABOUT HER TONER BEING MESSED UP

WANT ME TO TAKE YOU THERE?
A TONFA SHOP EH? THERE'S ONLY ONE OF THOSE IN THIS TOWN
IF YOU GOT SO MUCH DOUGH, WHY DON'T YOU JUST BUY NEW ONES?
BUT I'LL PAY DOUBLE
BUT LIKE THESE CANON
NO I ALREADY TOLD YOU. ONCE A WEAPON HAS BEEN CUSTOMIZED IT CAN'T BE CUSTOMIZED AGAIN FOR SIX MONTHS THAT'S THE LAW KID
COME ON CAN'T YOU DO SOMETHING? PLEASE?
G·T

?
THIS BLOWS. HOW CAN THERE ONLY BE ONE SHOP THAT SELLS TONFA BLASTERS IN THE WHOLE CITY?

ELIE
!!
!!
SEE YOU BROUGHT A WOMAN ALONG BOY HOW ROMANTIC
SO YOU'RE THE NEW RAVE MASTER HARU GLORY EH KID?
WAH!!

COMMANDER OF THE 17TH UNIT
HMPF
HE'S WITH DEMON CARD, NO DOUBT
WHO IS THIS GUY?

AND DON'T YOU FORGET IT
LANCE, THE BEAST SWORDSMAN!

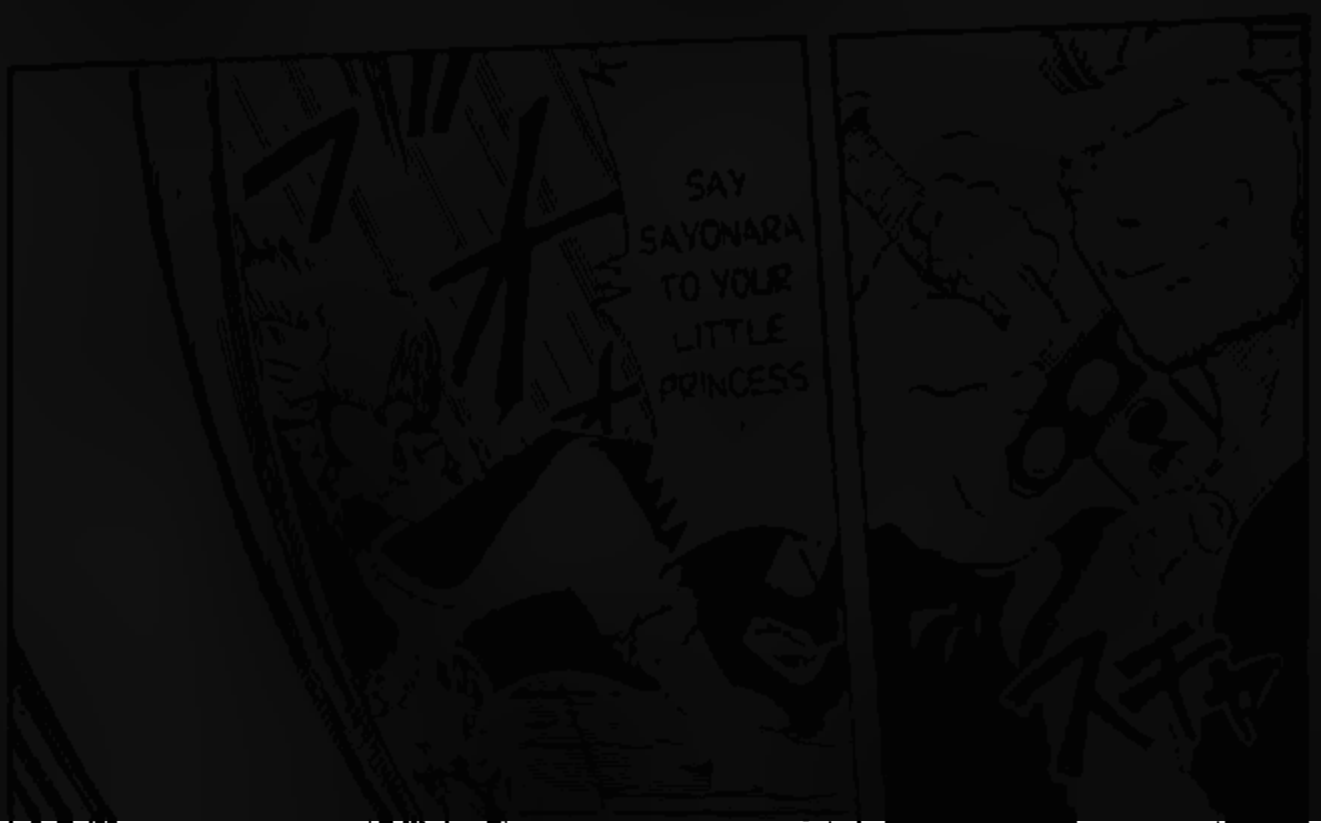
OR SHE'S TOAST
YOU HAVE TWO HOURS BRING RAVE TO MY HOUSE BEFORE 5:00!

FIRST GIVE ME YOUR RAVE!
LET ELLIE GO!

THEN YOU BETTER COME GET IT
DON'T HAVE IT

WELL YOU WON'T BE LATE NOW WILL YOU?
IF YOU'VE JUST ONE SECOND AT ALL THEN

LET HER GO!


SAY SAYONARA TO YOUR LITTLE PRINCESS

WHAT?
DON'T BE FOOL-ED!
HARL!! IT'S JUST AN ILLU-SION
AH
WAAAH!!

CALM DOWN
GO ON AHEAD TO HIS PLACE
GRRR. THAT MONSTER
SNAP! HE GOT AWAY

JUST HURRY UP AND BRING YOUR RAVE
DON'T WORRY ABOUT ELIE

WHY DO YOU WANT TO HELP US?
WE JUST MET
HEY

DO I NEED ANY OTHER EXCUSE?
A DAMSEL'S IN DISTRESS
ALL RIGHT! I'M COUNTING ON YA'
BOMBS

HIC!
I TOLD YOU NOT TO COME
HEY MO MUSICA DON'T HAVE IT SO WHERE'S THE RAVE?
!!

GET YOUR FILTHY HANDS OFF HIM!!

PUUN
P...LIE' KAVE'S GOTTA BE HERE SOME-WHERE FIND IT!
!
CAREFUL BOY YOU MIGHT HURT YOUR HAND

ALL RIGHT
STUPID KID I HID T TOME PLACE THEY'D NEVER FIND IT
NOW I'LL SHOW YOU
GEH
THE POWER OF RAVE
WHOA !!!
WAAAH !!

HE'S NOT DEAD RAVE JUST CHOSE ME AS THE NEW HEIR
BUT HOW...?
SO THAT MEANS SHIBA IS DEAD!
Y-YOU'RE THE NEW RAVE MASTER!
HEH...
YOU HAVE TO FIX MY SWORD IN THE NEXT TWO HOURS!
WHAT'S IMPORTANT NOW IS SAVING MY FRIENDS! ELIE'S BEEN KIDNAPPED BY DEMON CARD!
?
NO. YOU'RE NOT
NOW I'M JUST A DRUNK DEMON CARD'S LAPDOG
YOU STILL DON'T GET IT DO YOU? I'M NO BLACKSMITH ANYMORE. I'M WASHED UP

I CAN SEE IT IN YOUR EYES
YOU'RE BETTER THAN THAT
I KEPT IT FOR MY OWN PROTECTION!!
BESIDES, IF YOU WERE GOING TO HAND DAVE OVER TO DEMON CARD, YOU COULD'VE DONE IT BEFORE!
BUT YOU DIDN'T
PLEASE, I CAN'T DO IT WITH JUST DAVE!
BESIDES, YOU SHOULD BE JUST FINE WITH THAT DAVE
HMPF. FIX A SWORD HASTILY? FORGED A SWORD IN A MOST 15 YEARS!
PLEASE FIX MY SWORD

I NEED THE TEN POWERS IF I'M GOING TO BEAT LANCE!

LANCE?!
!!

I'M GETTING GOOSE BUMPS I CAN'T WAIT TO GET RID OF YOU.

AN HOUR AND A HALF LEFT

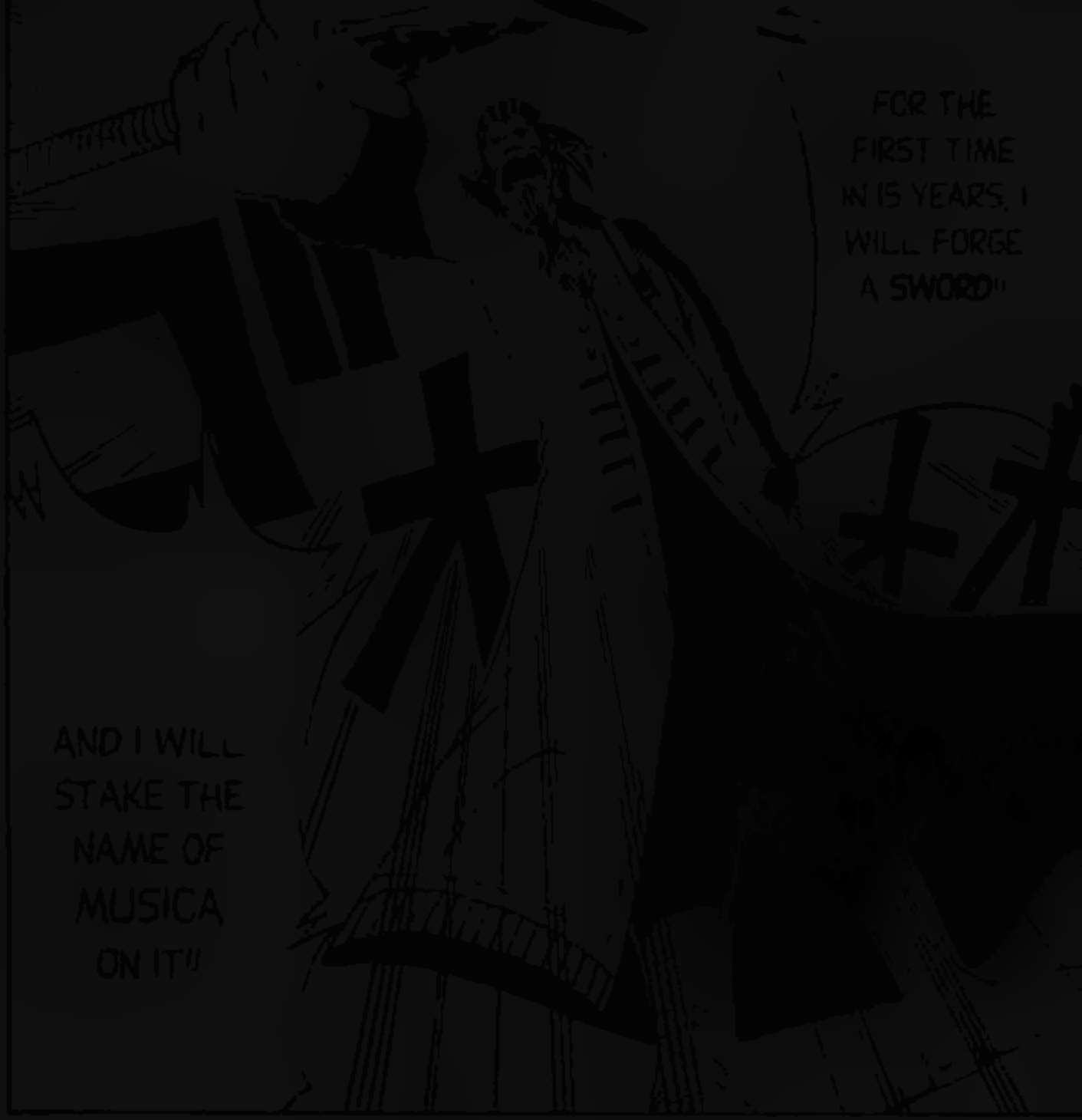
LANCE
I'M SORRY MAN!
LANCE
MADE BY

THE MAN WITH THE LAST SWORD EVER MADE BY THE BLACKSMITH
LANCE!!

ARE YOU REALLY GOING TO GO UP AGAINST LANCE?!
ARE YOU SERIOUS?!

ONLY FOR THIS KID
HAVE NO CHOICE
YES

HEY. WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
トカ…
トカ…
ポン
I NEVER THOUGHT THIS DAY WOULD COME
ゴオオ
ビチャ!!
BUT NOW I REALIZE THAT THERE IS A BATTLE I CAN FIGHT
SO I DROWNED MYSELF IN BOOZE AND LAID DOWN LIKE A DOG FOR DEMON CARD
I'D GIVEN UP ON THE IDEA OF EVER FIGHTING BACK


FOR THE FIRST TIME IN 15 YEARS, I WILL FORGE A SWORD"
AND I WILL STAKE THE NAME OF MUSICA ON IT"

MUSICA
One Hour Nine Minutes until Ella's time is up

RAVE
MASTER

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EVEN IN MY PRIME IT TOOK ME A DAY OR TWO TO FIX A BROKEN SWORD

SAE NI OLD MAN A SWEAR T WAS BEEN IS YEARS
MUSHA WILL YOU MAKE T IN T ME?

HOT

I'M GIVING IT A STRONG CORE SO IT WON'T BREAK AGAIN
DON'T WORRY I'LL MAKE IT IN TIME YOU'LL SEE

BUT YOU WERE ALL EXCITED ABOUT IT JUST A MINUTE AGO!
IF YOU DON'T HURRY ELIE'S GONNA DIE!
SO TO FIX ONE IN UNDER AN HOUR LET'S JUST HOPE I'VE GOT A MIRACLE IN ME

CORE?
THAT'S TRUE FOR BOTH SWORDS AND PEOPLE
IF SOMETHING HAS A STRONG CORE, IT WON'T BREAK
THEN IT HAS A WEAK CORE!
BET PLUE'S NOSE WOULD BREAK PRETTY EASILY.
PUN

IT'S ALMOST 4:30!
COME ON HARU! WHAT'S TAKING YOU SO LONG?

ガチャ
YO YAMADDYA THINK WE'RE DOIN HERE?
!
WAITING TO MEET SOMEONE
SORRY GIRL I TRIED WAIT ML BUT I LOOKS LIKE M GOING A JOB
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INTRUDER!!
DUKE
I ADORE THE LEADER OF SILVER RHYTHM
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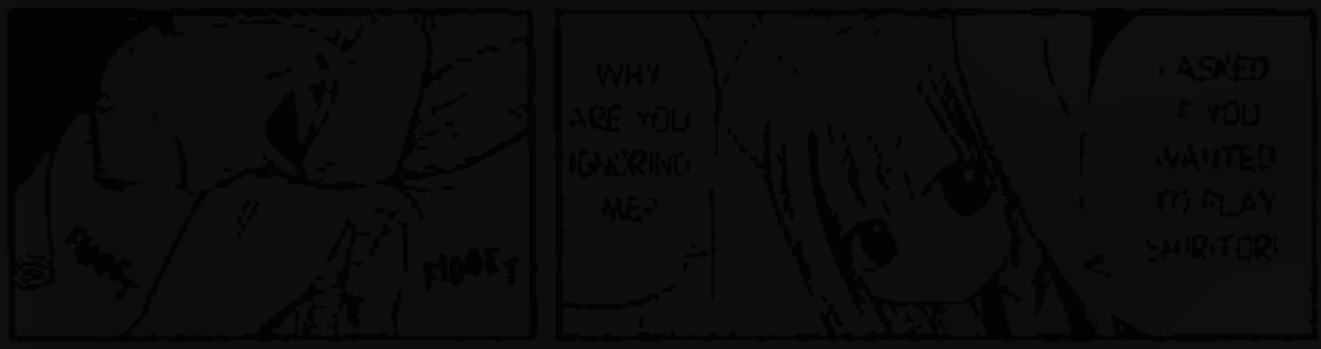
THE HEART OF SILVER RHYTHM
WHAT A FIGHTER



Shiritori: A Japanese word game in which one player names a word and the next player must say a word that starts with the final word's ending syllable. So in English, a game might go "word" - wacky - "you" - yak - "kid" - and so on.

SORRY
YOU'RE REALLY GETTING ON MY NERVES
I MUST HAVE BEEN STANDING AROUND TOO LONG
DO YOU?
DO YOU REALIZE THE GRAVITY OF YOUR SITUATION?
!
WHOA
GLAD I'M NOT TOO LATE

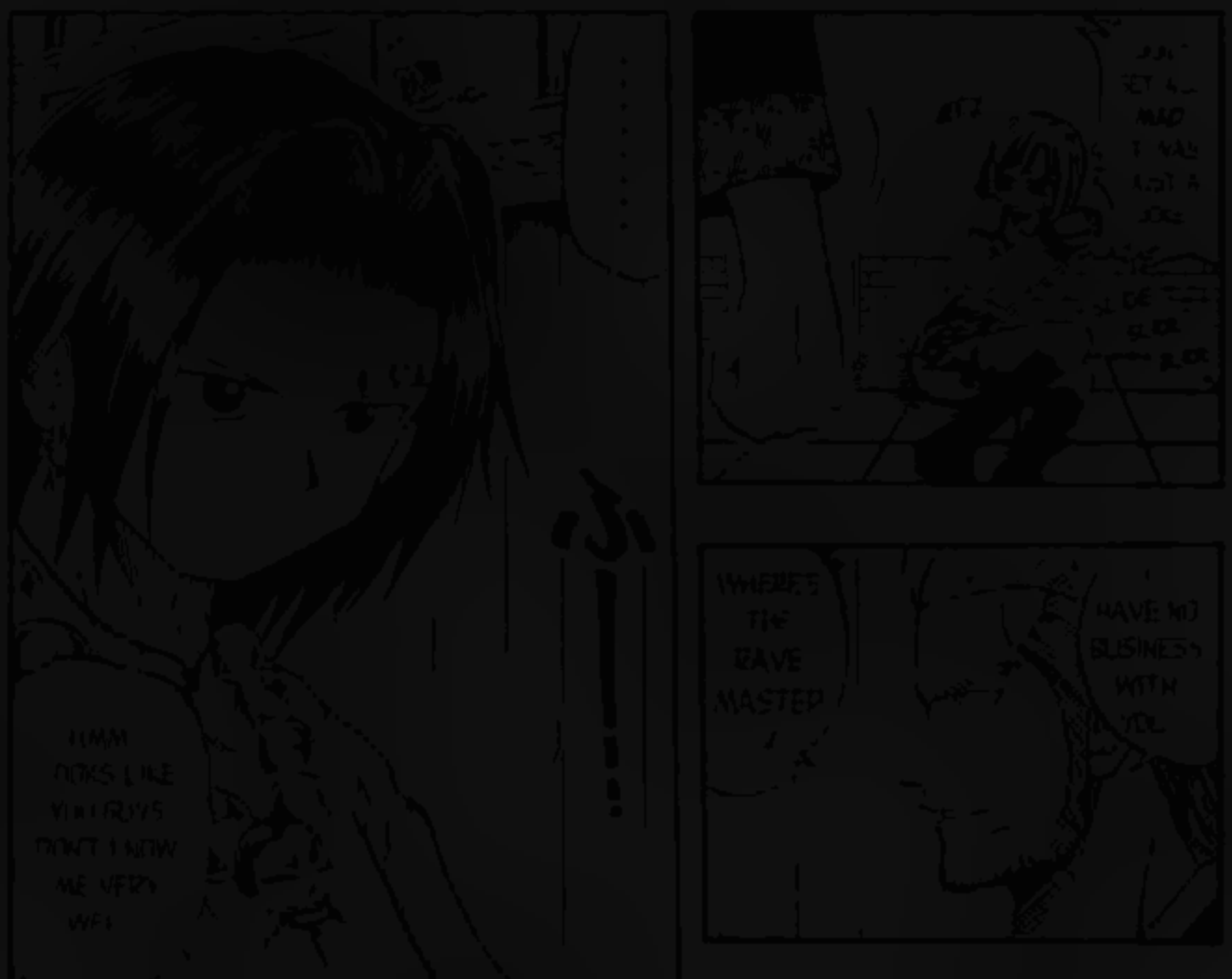
I'M HERE TO RESCUE HER.
STEP AWAY FROM THE GIRL YOU OLD PERV

SAME NAME AS SOME DRUNK JUDGE OUP THERE
MUSICA

MUSICA!

HE DIDN'T DO ANYTHING FUNNY. DID HE, ELIE?

WHAT ?!!


UMM LOOKS LIKE YUNA FRUYS DIDN'T KNOW ME VERY WELL

WHERE'S THE RAVE MASTER

HM?
DEATH
JUST GOT BACK AND IT LOOKS LIKE SOMEONE PUMMELED ALL THE MEN OUTSIDE!
MASTER LANCE! WHAT THE HECK IS GOING ON?
WHERE HAVE YOU BEEN ALL THIS TIME BIS?
AGAIN YOU GUYS ARE BEHIND THIS AREN'T YOU?
WHAT THE THOSE ARE THE KIDS FROM BEFORE!
SOMEONE INTERVIEW FOR ME PLEASE!
I WAS AT THE OLD MAN'S AND I WAS BEATING HIM UP BUT THIS KID CAME, AND THERE WAS RAVE, AND THEN "BAM" AND AND I FE... DOOOOWNNN!
DEATH
EW?
NOT GOOD BIS
TAKE CARE OF YOU AND TAKE CARE OF YOU LATER

HUH?
WE'LL BE SURE CHUBBY HERE'S UP FOR THIS
HEY, BRING ME THE CRANK MASTER 3000!
YES SIR RIGHT AWAY
R RIGHT! UNDER-STOOD

WE SHOULD NOT HAVE COME HERE.
YOU'RE NOT SUPPOSED TO SAY THAT WORD AROUND HIM!
UH- UH
WHAT DID YOU.. JUST... SAY?

IT'S TOO LATE TO MAKE NICE WITH ME NOW!
UM, THAT WASN'T A
THEN HOW ABOUT "PIG"?
YOU DON'T KE "...UBBY"

YOU'RE GOING DOWN!!

WHAT'S THAT? IT'S HUGE!

I'M GONNA GRIND YOU INTO A PULP!
YOU DON'T WANT TO MESS WITH ME WHEN I'M DRUNK!

DIE!!
DUMB BRAT

IS THIS THE BEST YOU CAN DO?
GRAH!!
HMM
EEEP!!
HE'S DODGING THE CRANK-MASTER WXO LIKE IT'S A CHEAP TOY
WHO IS THIS GUY?
YOU'RE AMAZING, MUSICA!
!!
GAAAUH!!

HE COULDN'T BEAT YOU ANYWAY AND I'M GOING TO TAKE YOU ON.

EEEEEP

YOU ARE ONE ROTTEN OLD MAN.
COMRADE?

HA! BUT WITH A TOP OF THE LINE SWORD AS YOU'LL SOON SEE

BECAUSE MY DESPAIR BEGAN WITH THE SWORD CREATED FOR JANE

BACK WHEN I STILL WORKED AS A BLACKSMITH I LIVED HAPPILY WITH MY FAMILY
WHAT WITH THE BACK STORY ALL OF A SUDDEN!

HARU

THIS SAME GUY !!!
WHA-
!!
LANCE MASSACRED MY FAMILY WITH THE VERY SWORD I FORGED FOR HIM
YOUR SWORD TAKE IT
I'M SORRY FOR NOT HELPING YOU SOONER, MAN!
PUUN !!
PU-PUUN !!
PU-PUUN !!

IT'S A FINE SWORD
DESTROY THE CURSED SWORD I MADE FOR LANCE!!
HARU!! PLEASE!!

FORGING SWORDS IS THE PATH OF A BLACKSMITH
NOW MY PATH IS ONE OF A RAVE MASTER!!
LEAVE IT TO ME! I WILL DESTROY LANCE'S SWORD!!!

RAVE
MASTER

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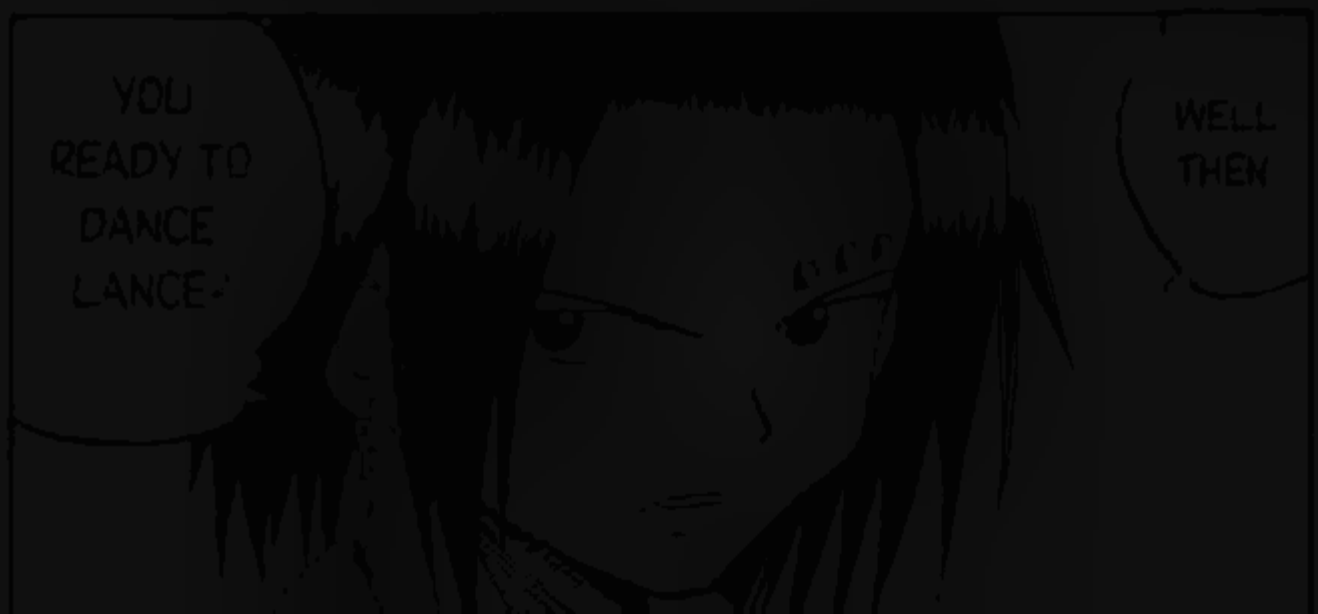
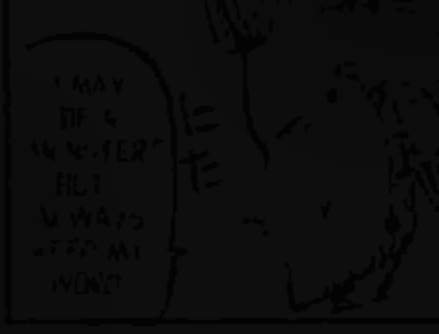

YOU READY TO DANCE LANCE-
WELL THEN

DANCE WITH MY BEAST SWORD PUNK AND YOU'RE GONNA GET BIT!
HMPF
GEN-JYUU !! (ILLUSION BEAST)
UH-YOU'LL FALL FOR THIS!!
MORE ILLUSIONS? I'M GONNA FA..... FOR THAT

AAGH!!
MUSICAN
HNUPH JUST GRAZED H.V

THEN WHILE YOUR OPPONENT IS CONFUSED YOU CREEP IN FOR THE KILL
THOSE ILLUSIONS ARE ONLY MEANT TO DISTRACT
HEH HEH GET IT
?
I GUESS I'LL HAVE TO STOP HOLDING BACK!
SO THIS IS GONNA BE A REAL FIGHT AFTER ALL
DON'T SQUIRM TOO MUCH OR YOUR WOUNDS WILL RIP OPEN
MONSTER! WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO
UGH
!?
YES BUT FIRST THERE'S SOMETHING I HAVE TO DO

NOW TO GET OUT OF THIS BOX
IT'S 5:00
EEEH?! NOOO !!!
オォォ!!

I MAY BE A WATER BOT U WAS AFFECTED

?

バサ

YOU'RE KNOCKIN ME RIGHT

#11 ア…

SHUT UP!
STOP!!

FRESH MEAT FOR MY BEAST SWORD!
AH THIS IS WHAT I'VE BEEN WAITING FOR!

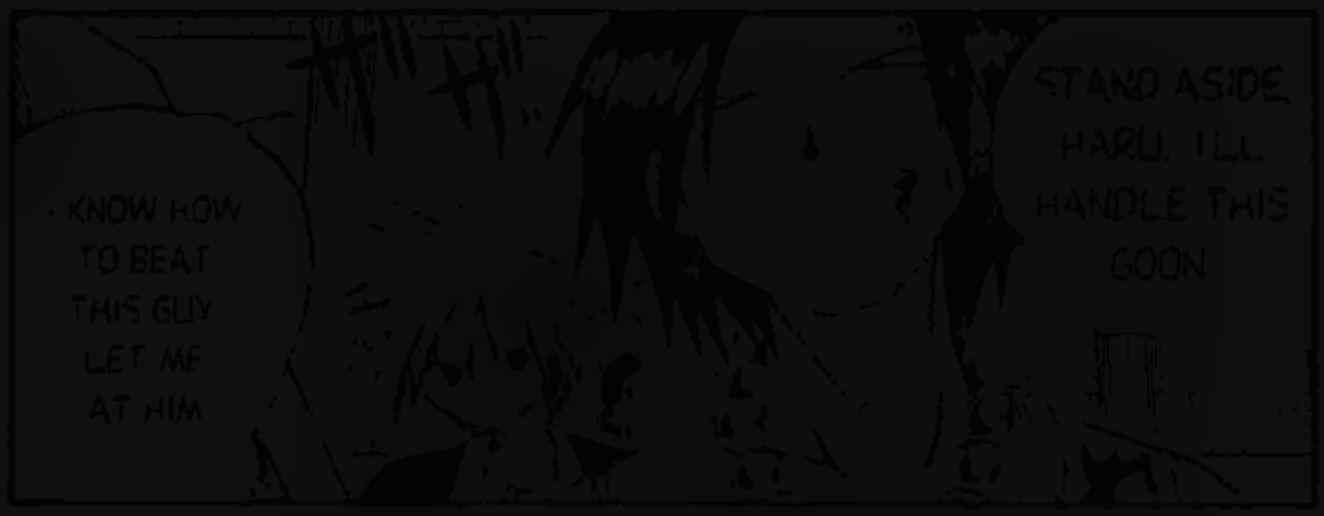
HARU!!!!
NOW, DIE!!!

ドン!!
ドン!!
?
YOU OKAY ELIE-

HARU!!!!

CAN THAT KID REALLY USE THAT BIG THING
NOW THAT'S WHAT I CALL A SWORD
HEH HEH NOW THAT'S WHAT I CALL AN ENTRANCE
OH...
...I'LL USE IT, ALL RIGHT!!

I'VE BEEN WAITING FOR YOU DAVE MASTER
HYPH
HE DROVE BACK MASTER LANCE'S SWORD
PICKING ON DEFENSE LESS GIRLS
I'VE HAD ENOUGH OF YOU WORTHLESS OLD MAN
PUUN
OH DEAR YOU CAME TOO THANKS
ガキーン
OH HO SO THAT'S THE TEN POWERS SWORD I'VE HEARD ABOUT


I KNOW HOW TO BEAT THIS GUY LET ME AT HIM
STAND ASIDE, HARO. I'LL HANDLE THIS GOON

I HAVE TO BE THE ONE TO BEAT HIM
NO WAY!
WHAT!

WOLOO-
I PROMISED THE OTHER MUSICA THE BLACK-SMITH
NO...

THIS SWORD WOULD DEFEAT HIM!
カミイ

ENOUGH WITH THE TALKING ALREADY
I'M GONNA SLAUGHTER ALL OF YOU.
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GEN-
JYUU
!!!
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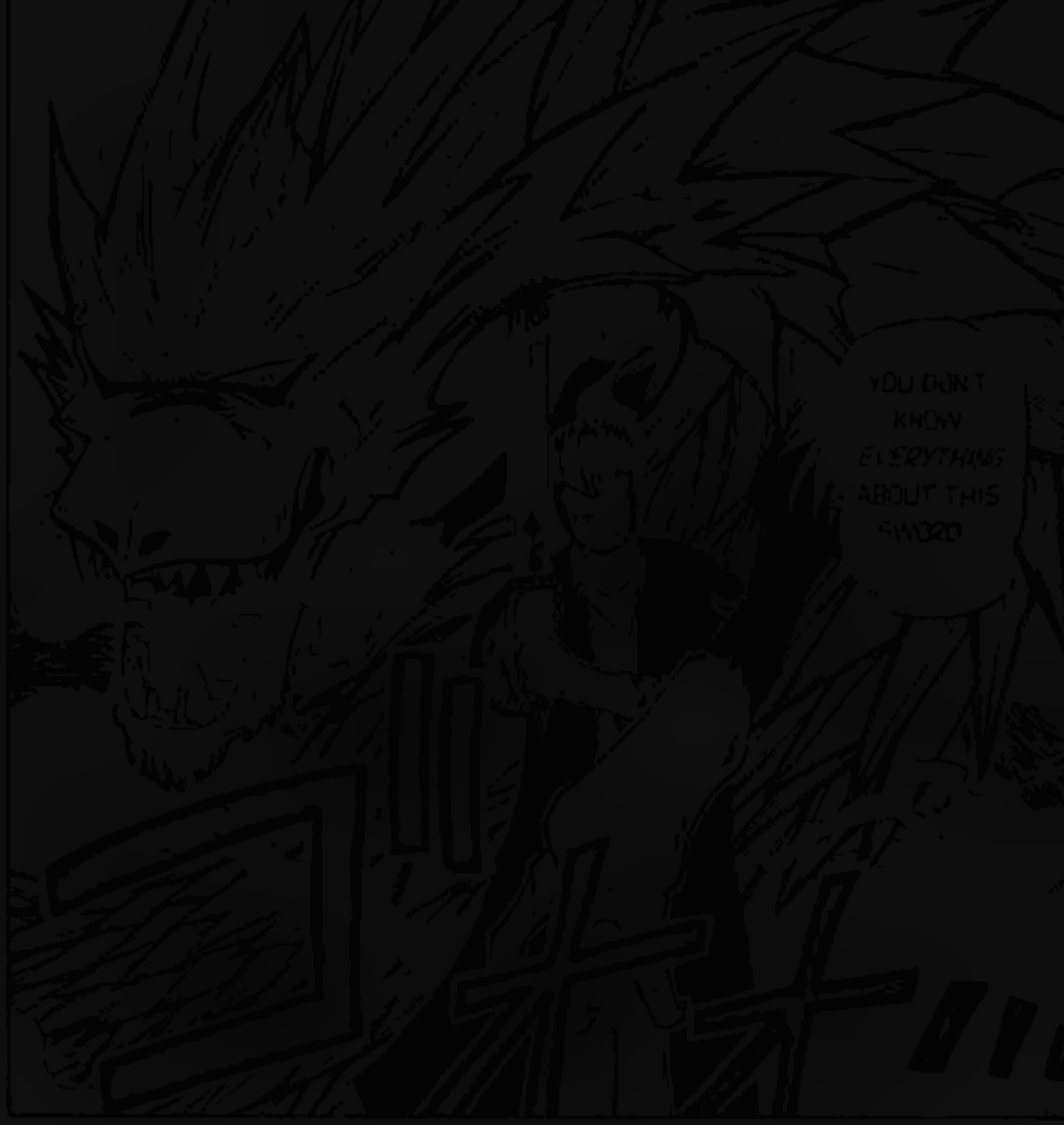
HARU,
YOU
IDIOT.
DON'T
RUSH
HIM!
THAT
TECH-
NIQUE
WHAT
?!!

!!
THE
ILLUSION
DISAP-
PEARS

THE VERY MAN WHO FORGED THAT SWORD TOLD ME ABOUT IT
THE BEAST SWORD.
A SWORD THAT PRODUCES IMAGINARY BEASTS EVERY TIME IT'S SWUNG
IF YOU DON'T TAKE A FULL SWING, THERE AREN'T ANY ILLUSIONS.
AMAZ-ING!
PU-PUUN

YOUR TECHNIQUE IS SO LESS!
SO IF I STOP THE SWORD BEFORE YOU FINISH YOUR SWING,

BUT
HMPH. I MPH HMPH LOOKS LIKE YOU'VE DONE YOUR HOMEWORK.



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"Afterwords"

PSHAH! IT'S MASHIMA AS I WRITE THIS, I DON'T KNOW IF IT'S MORNING, AFTERNOON OR NIGHT WHERE YOU ARE OR IF YOU'RE SLEEPING, OR WHAT! SO I CAME UP WITH A NEW GREETING— "PSHAH!" YOU CAN USE THIS GREETING ANY TIME OF DAY OR NIGHT. SO IT'S VERY CONVENIENT. PSHAH! ALL RIGHT, I'LL STOP BEING WEIRD NOW.

SO RAVE IS ALREADY IN ITS SECOND VOLUME. ALL RIGHT!! WITH TWO VOLUMES THEY CAN BE LINED UP ONE, TWO IN A BOOKSTORE! THAT MAKES ME SO HAPPY! ABOUT 400 PAGES IN TWO GRAPHIC NOVELS. HOW COOL.

BUT THERE'S STILL MORE TO COME! MY GOAL IS MORE THAN 10 VOLUMES!! AND THEN, THE KODANSHA COMIC AWARD!! I WONDER IF I SET MY SIGHTS TOO HIGH. NO! I'LL DO IT. I'LL GIVE IT A TRY! PSHAH! (NOW I'M BEING STUBBORN.)

SETTING MY HOPES ASIDE, LET'S CHANGE THE TOPIC TO THE STORIES IN THIS VOLUME OF RAVE. THERE MAY NOT BE ANY IMPRESSIVE STORIES, BUT THE MOST DIFFICULT PART OF CHAPTERS 5-8 WAS DRAWING ALL THE MOBS IN THE STREETS AND STADIUMS. IT WAS HARD, BUT ALSO A LOT OF FUN. (LAUGH)

SPEAKING OF FUN, IT WAS FUN TO THINK UP ALL THE CLOTHES THAT HARU AND THE OTHERS WEAR IN THE CHAPTER TITLE PAGES. THE BELT HARU WEARS ON THE TITLE PAGE FOR CHAPTER SIX IS THE FICTIONAL BRAND NAME "OWNER LOVELY." IF YOU WRITE THAT IN JAPANESE LETTERS, IT WOULD BE "ON-NA-RA-BU-RI." "ONARABURI" WHICH SOUNDS LIKE "HONORABLY." HOW CHEESY! THIS TIME, THINGS GOT STRANGE LIKE THAT!

SEE YOU AGAIN IN VOLUME THREE!! I'M TIRED, SO I'M GOING TO BED.
PSH— GOOD NIGHT

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LEVIN MINDS THE HOUSE

#2 Mom and Dad

WELL... ACTUALLY IT'S BETWEEN YOU AND ME THEY'RE NOT PEOPLE
SO WHAT KIND OF PEOPLE ARE YOUR MOM AND DAD NAKAJIMA?
WHY YES!
HEY NAKAJIMA YOU KNOW MY MOM AND DAD RIGHT?

ANSWER MY QUESTION!!
AND THEY'RE SO ROMANTIC IT'S SO MUCH STUFF!
I DON'T CARE ABOUT THAT!
AND THEY LOVE TO SING
DIDN'T ASK ABOUT WHAT THEIR FAVORITE FOOD WAS
MOM AND DAD LOVE RAMEN!

WHO IS THIS SHADOWY FIGURE?
I WONDER IF MY MOM AND DAD ARE GONNA COME BACK SOON
I DOESN'T PAY MUCH BUT IT'S A JOB
BEETLES
WHAT ARE THEIR JOBS?
SPIT IT OUT!
THEIR WORK! I WANT TO KNOW WHAT THEY DO!

Continued in Vol. 3?

Hiro Mashima and His Staff

DATA

1 Hiro Mashima
2 5/3/1977 22
3 174cm 60kg B
4 Nagano
5 Watching Movies
6 Haircuts (I've cut my own for 3 years)
7 All of my fans, of course!
8 Hats and caterpillars

A word about myself!
The picture on the left is just a likeness, so it's a bit glorified. Still I think it looks quite like me. In a single year, my hair will change from black to yellow to silver. Right now it's between yellow and silver. Any caterpillars and things I happen to spot in the street never escape!

DATA

1 Kouji Nakamura
2 9/11/1976
3 156cm 50kg A
4 Fukuoka
5 Eating bananas
6 Eating bananas
7 Bananas
8 Not eating bananas
9 Let's eat bananas!

Below, words from Mashima about each of his three assistants.

He mainly helps me out with the backgrounds. He's a strange person but I'll take what I can get. I've never been known to say, "no thanks." Umm. Oh, and he eats too many bananas!

DATA

Tetsuya Yomoue
2 1/21 1977
3 177cm 75kg A
4 Osaka
5 Anything interesting
6 Memorizing boring things
7 The Yellow Monkey (A rock band)
8 Moths
9 I haven't been speaking in the Osaka dialect lately

I call him Yomo. He helps me out with backgrounds and white-out. He's my main rival in games and imitation contests. This period is a weird one. Everything he says is strange. I really don't know if he's that way naturally, or if he actually wants to be that way. Oh, and he loves too many boring things!

DATA

1 YUKI • T
2 9/2/1977
3 160cm • Heavy • O
4 Ibaraki
5 Dyeing my hair (Right now it's white.)
6 Selfish Lazy
7 Critters. (Hamsters, Cats, Cows...?)
8 I hate hateful things
9 I want to raise a hamster

Me, Yuki is part of the finishing staff. The only female. She gives rather noisy comments about the female characters' lash bras. Draw it yourself! Oh, and she says too many selfish things!

My assistants are all strange people, but they make it a fun place to work!

How to read the data: 1) Name 2) birthday/age 3) height/weight/blood type 4) Hometown 5) Hobbies 6) Special Abilities 7) Likes 8) Hates 9) Message

THE GIRL WITHOUT MEMORY: ELIE

WEAPON: TONFA GLASTERS

BIRTHDAY/AGE: UNKNOWN / UNKNOWN (ABOUT 18)

HEIGHT/WEIGHT/BLOODTYPE: 160CM / 45KG / UNKNOWN (PROBABLY O)

BIRTHPLACE: UNKNOWN

HOBBIES: PLAYING WITH PLUE, SHOPPING

SPECIAL SKILLS: GAMBLING
(SHE HAS THE LUCK OF THE GODS)

LIKES: HEART KREUZ, LOVE BELIEVER
(BRAND NAME CLOTHES)

HATES: THUNDER

She turned out to be a rather crazy character. But, well, she's fun to draw, because there aren't many rules or limits with her.

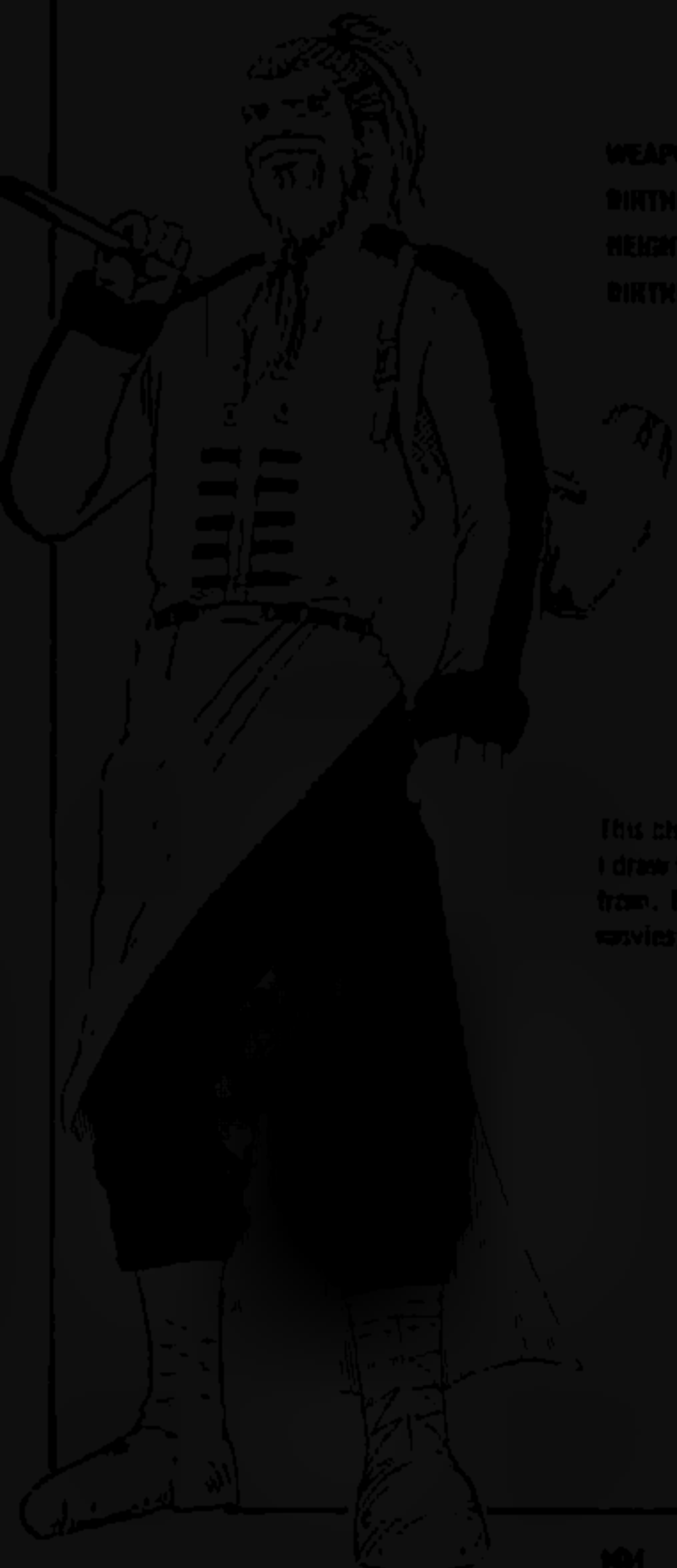
I really wanted to do something with memory loss. I know, not the newest material, but I love mystery.

So I created Elie having lost her memory already. I'm so sorry, Elie!!

how does everyone like trying to figure out the "joke"? (laugh) By the way, I've already decided on the "punchline." Elie is actually ...

THIS IS THE HEART KREUZ LOGO. APPROPRIATE BECAUSE IT INCORPORATES A "HEART" AND A "CROSS" LIKE THE BRAND NAME ELIE LIKES. THE CLOTHES BECAUSE THEY ARE LIKE WHAT A 10 YEAR OLD GIRL MIGHT WEAR.

THE LEGENDARY BLACKSMITH: MUSICA



WEAPON: IRON HAMMER

BIRTHDAY/AGE: OCT. 4, 999th / 7U

HEIGHT/WEIGHT/BLOODTYPE: 171CM / 62KG / O

BIRTHPLACE: PUNK STREET

HOBBIES: DRINKING

SPECIAL SKILLS: GREATEST BLACKSMITH IN THE WORLD

LIKES: GUYS WHO CAN DRINK

HATES: LANCE

This character was a problem at first because I drew him without much background to work from. I've only seen a few blacksmith shops in movies, so I just drew him as I pleased.

"MUSICA" IS THE ITALIAN WORD FOR "MUSIC" SO ← THIS IS HIS LOGO

PRESIDENT OF THE DOGTRACK: GEORCO

WEAPON: CANE & DARK BRING (SMOKE BAY)
BIRTHDAY/AGE: MARCH 14, 0026 / 40
HEIGHT/WEIGHT/BLOODTYPE: 142CM / 46KG / O
BIRTHPLACE: HIP HOP TOWN
HOBBIES: PICKING ON HIS SUBORDINATES
SPECIAL SKILLS: GUZZLING MILK
LIKES: BLING BLING
HATES: MESSY CUSTOMERS

He's really satyyoing at heart, but as president he surrounds himself with all that glitters. However, in the grand scheme of Demon Card, Georco is still an underling. (Within the Demon Card organization raw strength is more important than money or status.)

It would seem like the power to turn into smoke IS quite strong, but actually, that's not the case! Georco can't fight on a windy day, and doesn't have any battle experience, he's just a regular guy who happens to have a Dark Bring. That's why he never did get that promotion in Demon Card, even though he's already President.

THIS IS THE DEMON CARD LOGO! YOU CAN CHANGE IT INTO THE LETTERS "DC"

THE MARKS AROUND IT MAKE IT LOOK LIKE WINGS, SYMBOLIC OF HOW DEMON CARD FLIES ALL OVER THE WORLD

COMMANDER OF THE DEMON CARD ARMY 17TH UNIT:
LANCE, THE "BEAST SWORD"

WEAPON: SWORD (DEMON SWORD) & DARK BRING (REAL MOMENT)

BIRTHDAY/AGE: FEB 6, 1982 / 3?

HEIGHT/WEIGHT/BLOODTYPE: 218CM / 97KG / A

BIRTHPLACE: BUJES CITY

HOBBIES: KILLING PEOPLE

SPECIAL SKILLS: HE'S UNLICENSED (BUT HAS THE SKILLS TO BE A VETERINARIAN

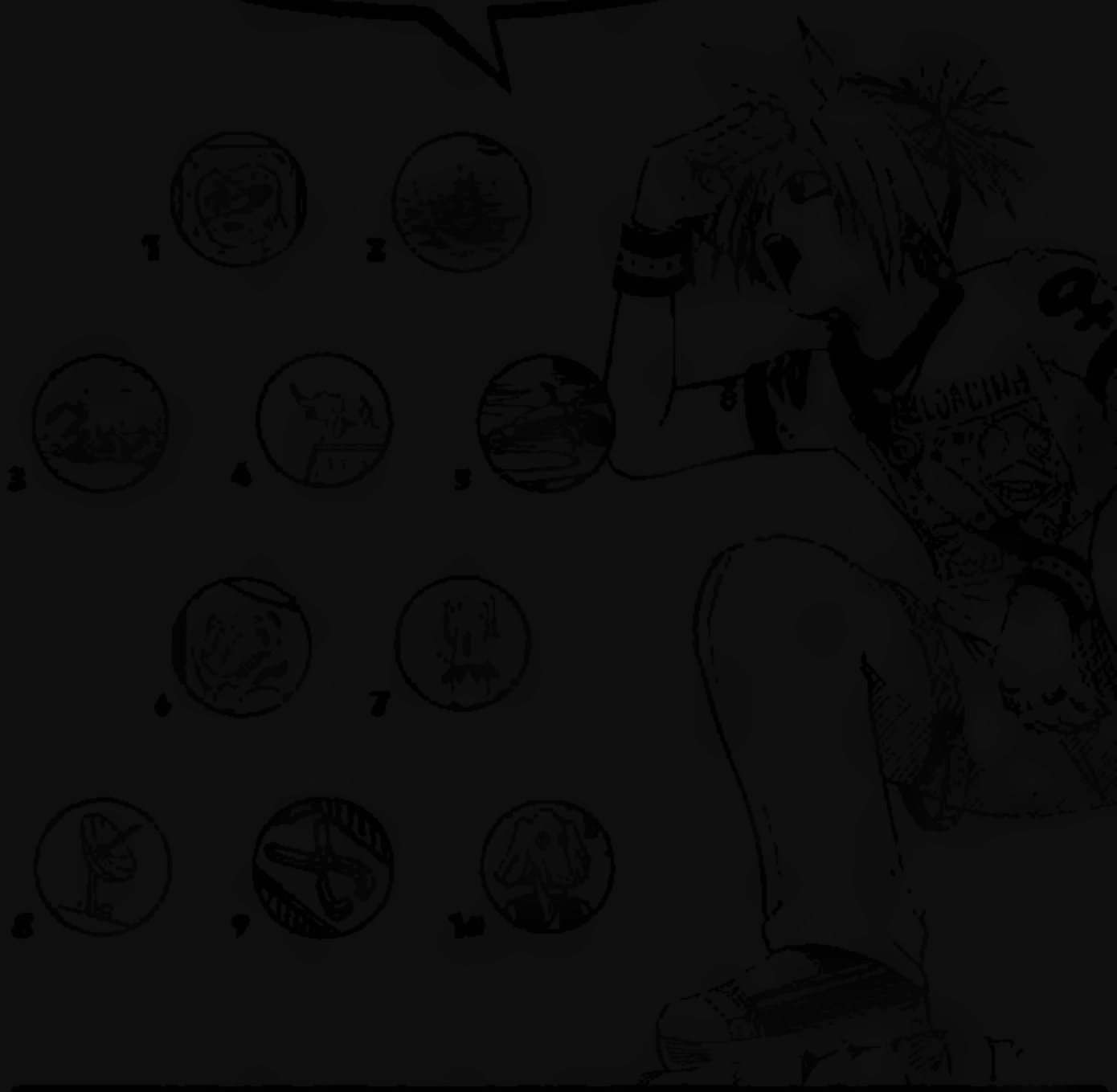
LIKES: STRAWBERRIES

HATES: STUPID PEOPLE AND SLACKERS

Umm... He turned out to be a secondary (at best) in the 8th chapter. I suddenly wanted to name a character "Lance," and at that time, I thought I'd make him a really bizarre gag character. But then the story headed in a heavier direction, so I decided on having him appear as this evil guy.

THE ORIGINAL LANCE

DUDE, Where's my Raft?



Aw, snap! In all my battles in Hip Hop Town and Punk Street, I lost the raft that I used to get here, not to mention all this totally sweet swag I picked up along the way. Since I'm a little busy right now getting my butt kicked by Lance, maybe you could help me out. Take a good look at these pics, then see if you can't find the originals scattered throughout the book. If you get stuck, check out the RAVE MASTER web page at www.tokyopop.com for the answers.

RAVE MASTER

Volume 3 Preview:

PRESSURE OF THE BEAST SWORD

PRESSURE, PUSHING DOWN ON HIM
LANCE IS PRESSING WITH HIS SWORD
UNDER PRESSURE FROM THE BEAST SWORD
THAT WOULD SPLIT HARU IN TWO
MAKES PEOPLE SEE THINGS

BA BA BA BAN! BA BA BA BA BAN!

HE'LL BE OKAY!
IT'S THE TERROR INDUCED
BY THE DARK BRING'S CLOUT
HIS FRIENDS ON THE SIDELINES SCREAM
"HARU, WATCH OUT!"
PRAY THAT SOMEONE WILL STOP LANCE
MAKES PEOPLE SEE THINGS,
PEOPLE SEE THINGS

DOH DOH DOH BA BA NA BA BAN
OKAY
FLAILING AROUND, HARU'S KNOCKED TO THE FLOOR
WHO WILL COME SAVE HIM? THE KID'S AT DEATH'S DOOR
PEOPLE SEE THINGS, PEOPLE SEE THINGS

THE MADMAN LAUGHS WHILE THE BUILDING STARTS CRACKING.
CAN'T WE FIND SOMEONE TO STOP LANCE?
WHY CAN'T SOMEONE SAVE HARU FROM LANCE?
WHY CAN'T SOMEONE SAVE HARU, SAVE HARU, SAVE HARU FROM LANCE?

CAUSE HARU IS JUST AN OLD-FASHIONED KID
AND HARU CARES TO CARE
FOR THE PEOPLE AT GARAGE ISLAND
AND HE CARES US TO STAND AGAINST
THOSE VILLAINS AT DEMON CARD
THIS IS THEIR LAST CARD
THIS IS HIS QUEST
THE RAVE MASTER
THE RAVE MASTER

Hiro Mashima

Mashima-san was born in Nagano, Japan on May, 8, 1977. He created RAVE for Weekly Shonen magazine in 1998 when he was just 21 years old, and in 4 short years the series has already spawned 18 volumes, 3 guide books, a hit anime series, 2 console video games, gobs'o'merchandise, and has been licensed in all kinds of countries around the world. Mashima-san is quite fond of his hair (he cuts it himself and constantly changes its color). He hates caterpillars (don't ask why) and any that get in his path are just asking to be squashed. Oh yeah, and his blood type is B.

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